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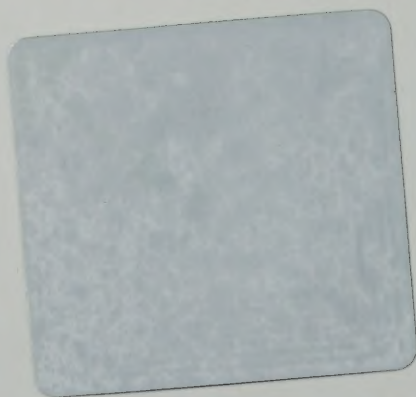
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# *Abington High School Class of 2010*

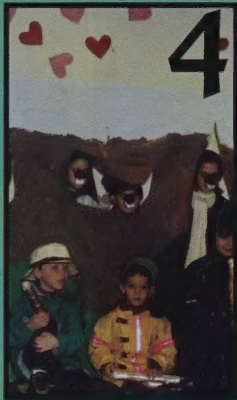
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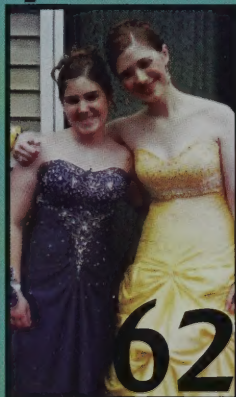
Class Will & Day in the Life



Clubs



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Sponsors





Welcome to your yearbook  
filled with pictures of the past,  
Let's hope it brings back fond feelings  
and helps these feelings last.

Although it all flew by with memories  
that filled each day  
We must not forget each other,  
or the humorous Mr. Shea.

Freshman year we had our first taste  
of high school and last bon-fire,  
We learned some Tai-Chi  
and fell in love with Ms. Dwyer.

Sophomore year was harder and  
we found our core group of friends.  
Overall it was kind of forgetful except maybe  
for the weekends.

Junior year we had our prom and  
did pretty well in sports.  
We all became fans and  
GWP showed up in force.

Senior year, so many things we  
wish to experience again  
But now we graduate,  
so congratulations Class of 2010.

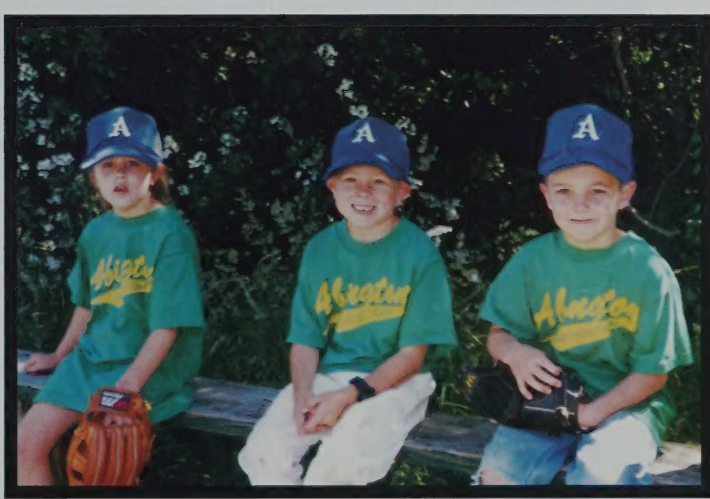
-Gregory Cronin



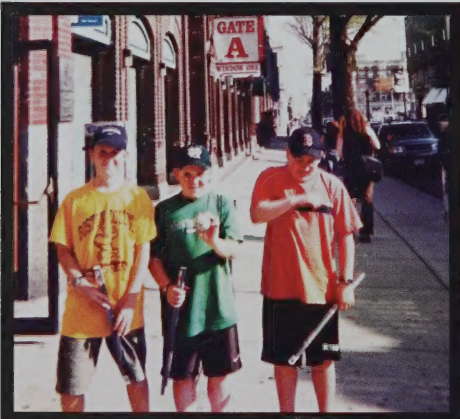
# The Road to Perfection



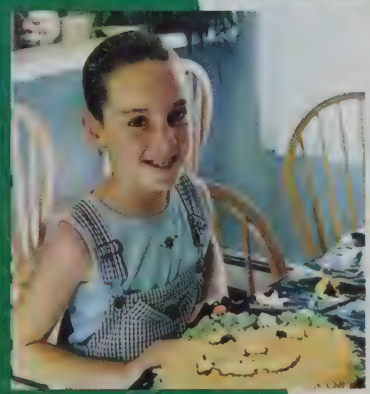
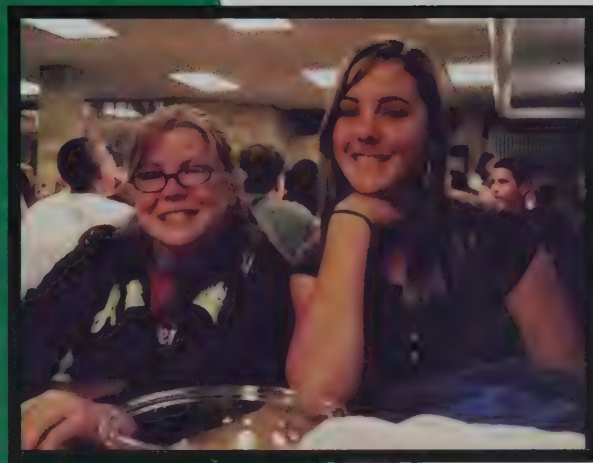
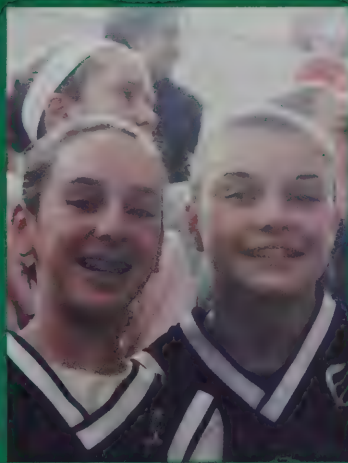












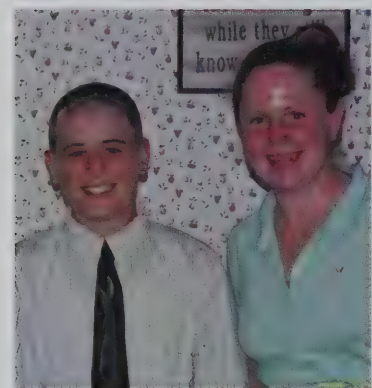




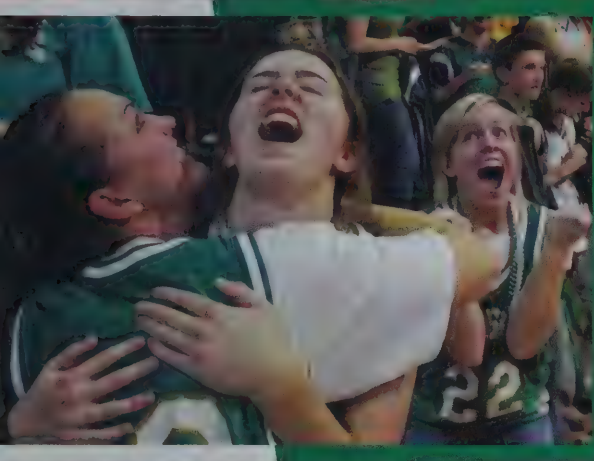
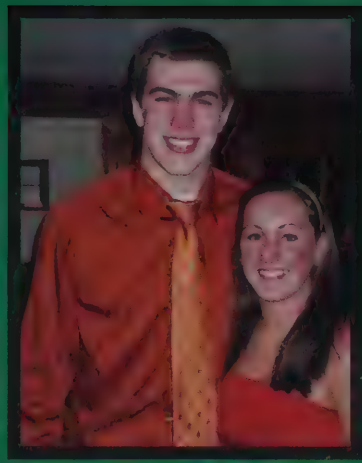












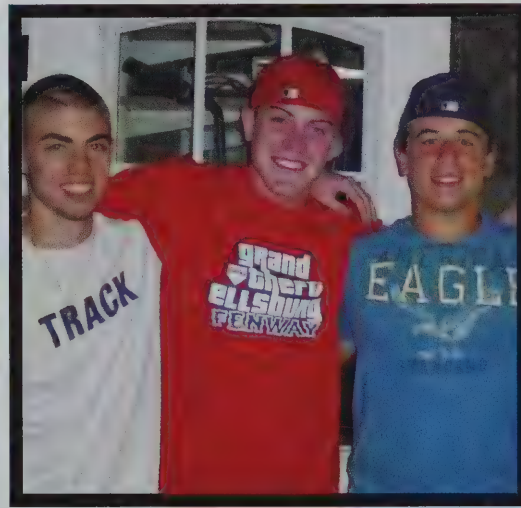




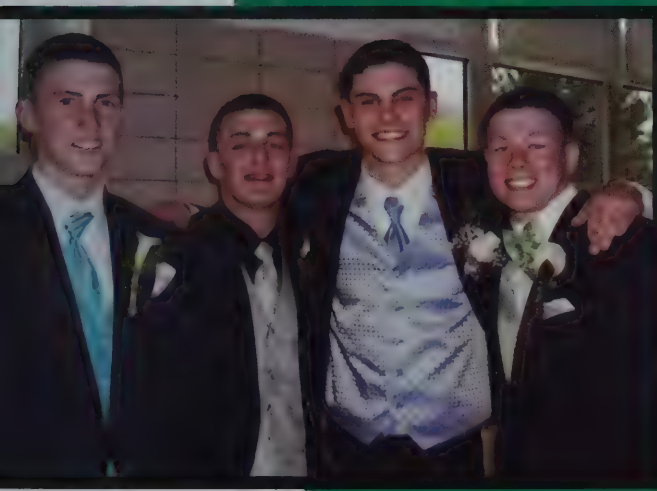














# Remember When...

... Kyle Durant pretended to be struck by a weapon and teachers thought it was stupid but everyone loved it?

... Nick Malafronte did the worm in English class and a pair of nail clippers fell out of his pocket?

... Melissa DeCarli got taken away in an ambulance during basketball practice?

... Mr. Shea, Uve, and Mr. Spino were teachers?

... The golf team went from 0-16 to state tourney?

... Rob Cornish gave the rest of his Mountain Dew to a homeless man in Boston?

... Kim Cutter passed out the first day of school in 9th grade and Deanna Moore, Caroline Smith, and Kaylah Connor carried her to Mr. Bourne?

... Rich Curtain dressed like a girl on Halloween?

... Erin Hollander tanked it on the way to the pep rally in '08?

... Brett Slonina broke the table at CCD?

... Rachel Bonvie said, "There is a fox on the field." and Mr. Scott turned around?

... Al Fisher asked if Biggie was still alive?



**Nick Malafronte called  
911 at Camp  
Bournedale?**

**...Greg Cronin, Ryan  
Chambers, Corey  
Donlan painted GWP  
on their chests?**

**...[A.] Conway  
didn't wear  
shoes to  
school?**

**...EAB made the  
tournament?**

**...Bobby Gentile  
pressed the red  
button in the PKS  
room and destroyed  
all the lights?**

**...Emily Lyons  
wrote Ryan  
Chambers a pass  
to Hogwarts?**

**...We didn't have  
a class advisor?**

**...Brittany  
Odenweller, Sarah  
Carvell, Caroline  
Provost, Meredith  
Brown, and Melissa  
DeCarli saran-  
wrapped Cory  
Pickering and Ben  
Johnson's cars and  
it led to an epic  
car chase and egg  
fight?**

**...Mr. McDonald  
taught Physical  
Science and  
showed us his Tai  
Chi moves?**

**...Ms. Palmacci  
was a science  
teacher?**

**...Brett Slonina  
taped Kyle  
Durant to a  
chair in Hot  
Topics?**

**...Mr. Moore took  
out Allison Griggs  
during practice?**

**...School  
lunch was  
\$1.50?**

**...Mr. Driscoll  
told Nick  
Marella he  
would never  
get into  
college?**

**...We had  
money in our  
school?**





Soccer 9,10,11,Cpt. 12  
Track & Field 9,10,11  
Interact Club 9,VP 10  
SAM 9  
Recycling Club 11

**Bradley Arena**

"There's just no sub-stitute!"



Basketball 9  
Softball 9,10,12

**Sarah Atkinson**

"Stay true to your roots."



**Michael Bailey**

"Even the vinegar of life is delicious!"-Lee Felten



Drama 9,10,11,12  
Marching Band 11,12  
Jazz Band 12

**Evan Baxter**

"I'll make it to the moon if I have to crawl."  
-Red Hot Chili Peppers, "Scar Tissue"



Tennis 9  
Drama 9,10,11,12  
Student Council 9,10,11

**Abigail Beatson**



Soccer 9,10  
Lacrosse 9,10,11,12  
Peer Leaders 9,10,11,12  
Homeroom Rep 10,11,12  
Prom Committee 11  
Yearbook 12

**Rachel Bonvie**

"I never regret anything. Because every little detail of your life is what made you into who you are in the end."  
-Drew Barrymore





Meredith Bouchard



Patrick Brennan



Tennis 9,10,11,12  
 Homeroom Rep. 11,12  
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 Yearbook 12

Meredith Brown

"At the end of the day you are who you are, and it's probably who you've always been." -One Tree Hill



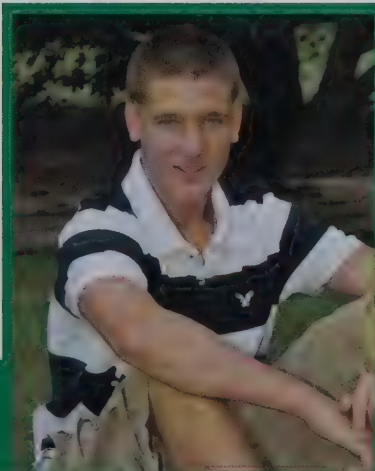
Nicholas Callahan



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 Baseball 9,10,11,Cpt. 12  
 You Lead 12

Ian Campbell

"AWFUL WAFFLE"



Nicholas Carraggi





**Sarah Carvell**

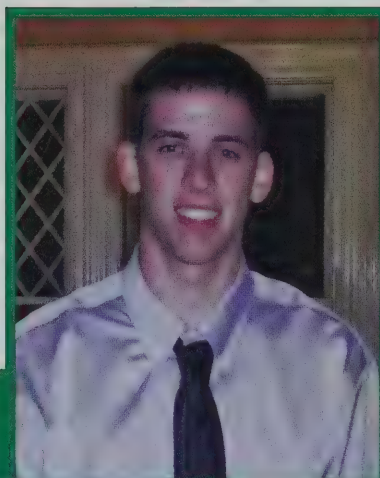
"Today is where your book begins, the rest is still unwritten." –Natasha Bedingfield

Soccer 9,10  
Track & Field 9  
Tennis 10,11,12  
Prom Committee 11  
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Homeroom Rep. 11,12



**William Caseley**

Football 9,10,11,12  
Basketball 9,10,11,12  
Track & Field 9,10,11,Cpt.



**Ryan Chambers**

"Time you enjoy wasting, was not wasted." –John Lennon

Soccer 9,12  
Basketball 9,10,11,Cpt. 12



**Robert Chiodi**

"If I rest, I rust." –Placido Domingo

Soccer 11, 12  
Tennis 9,10, Cpt.11,12  
Class Treasurer 11,12  
Math Team 11



**Taylor Chirokas**

"Don't let yesterday use up too much of today." –Will Rogers

Basketball 9



**Ryan Christopher**

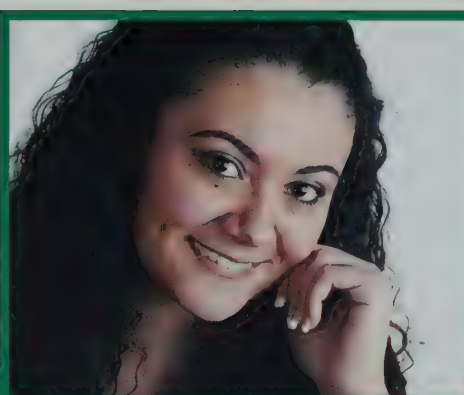
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Cross Country 11  
Football 9





**Krista Comnesso**

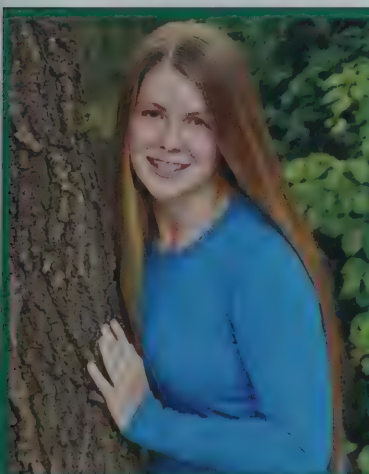
"Life is not a piece of paper. You can't just white-out your mistakes."



**Kaylah Connor**

"Until you spread your wings, you don't know how far you can fly." -Unknown

Soccer 9  
Softball 9  
Interact Club 10  
Yearbook 12



**Erin Connors**

"The pessimist sees difficulty in every opportunity. The optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty."

Track & Field 9  
Lacrosse 10,11,12  
NHS 11,12



**Anthony Conway**

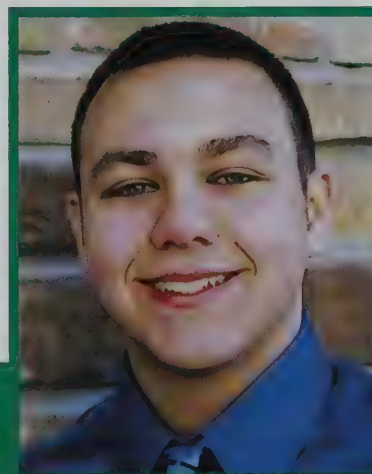
Ultimate Frisbee 10,11,12



**Robert Cornish**

"I'm not too worried about it."

Football 9,10,11,Cpt. 12  
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Tennis 9,10  
Ultimate Frisbee 11,12  
Homeroom Rep. 10,11,12  
NHS 11,12  
Class President 9  
Morning Announcements 12



**John Costa**

"As you approach life's crossroads, look both ways."

Football 9,10,11,12  
Lacrosse 9,10,12  
YouLead 11,12





Joseph Costantino



Carolyn Creighton

Soccer 9,10,11,Cpt. 12  
 Lacrosse 9, 10, 11,Cpt. 12  
 Peer Leaders 9,Sec. 10,  
 Tres.11, Pres. 12  
 Student Council 11,VP 12  
 Homeroom Rep. 10,11,12  
 NHS 11,12  
 Math Team 11  
 Prom Committee 11

"If what you have done yesterday still looks big to you, you haven't done much today." –Mikhail Gorbachev



Gregory Cronin

Soccer 9,10,11,Cpt. 12  
 Basketball 10,11,12  
 Tennis 9,10  
 Ultimate Frisbee 11,12  
 NHS 11,Pres 12  
 Drama 11,12

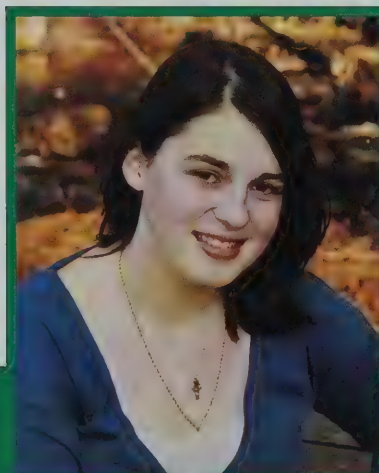
"Leap, and the net will appear." –Zen Saying



Andrew Crosta

Football 9,10,11,Cpt. 12  
 Baseball 9,10,11,Cpt. 12

"The only place success comes before work is in the dictionary." –Vince Lombardi



Kendra Currie

Tennis 11  
 SADD 9,10



William Currie





Football 9,10,11,12

Richard Curtin



Mary Curtis



Cheerleading 9,10,11,12  
Winder Cheerleading 9,10,11,12

Kimberly Cutter



Peer Leaders 9

Leah Dalrymple

"The greatest irony in life is knowing that the greatest things worth dying for are the only things worth living for."

—Unknown



Soccer 9,10,11,12  
Basketball 9,10,11,12  
Softball 9,10,11,12  
Class Secretary 9,10,11,12  
NHS 11,12  
You Lead 11,12

Taylor Darmetko

"You only live once but if you do it right, once is enough."

—Mae West



Track & Field 9,10,11,12  
Drama 9,10,11,12

Nicole D'Attilio

"Take care of your memories. For you cannot relive them"

—Bob Dylan





Lindsey Davis

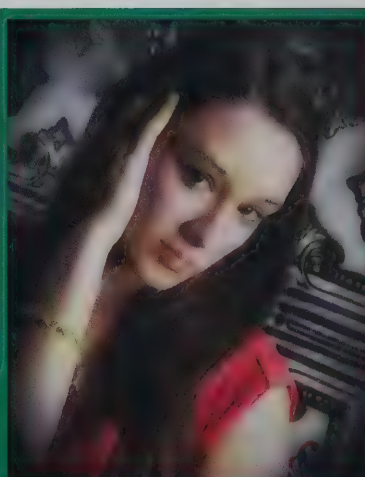


Melissa DeCarli

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Basketball 9,10,11,12  
Track & Field 9,10,11,Cpt. 1  
Homeroom Rep. 9,10,11  
Prom Committee 11

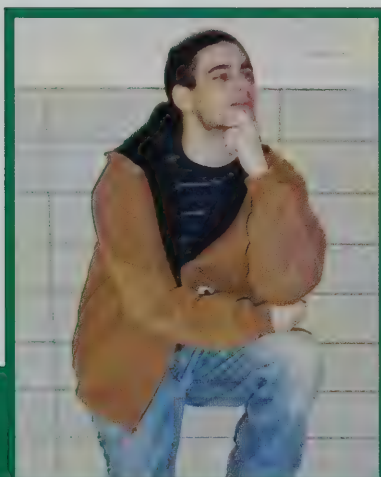


Jaryd Delehanty



Tabitha Deree

"Everything happens for a reason, so let it happen and move on."



Matthew DiCarli



Matthew DiCicco





Baseball 9,10,11,12

Brian DiCienzo



Cheerleading 9,10,11,12  
Winter Cheerleading 9,11,12

Lauren DiFazio



Interact Club 10

Meghan DiMaggio

"Life's what happens when you are busy making other plans."  
-John Lennon



Basketball 9  
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NHS 11, Sec. 12  
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Homeroom Rep. 10,11,12  
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Student Council 12

Melissa Donaher

"Attitude is a little thing that makes a big difference."  
-Winston Churchill



Basketball 9  
Ultimate Frisbee 11,12

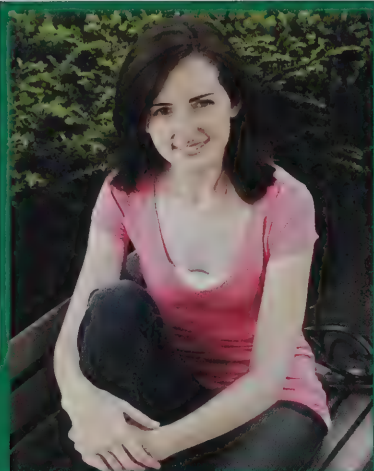
Mark Doneghey



Football 9  
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Basketball 9,10,11,12  
Ultimate Frisbee 11,Cpt. 12  
Homeroom Rep. 9,10,11,12  
Class Treasurer 9,10  
Prom Committee 11

Corey Donlan





Leslie Donovan

"Dreams are hopeless aspirations in hopes of coming true.  
Believe in yourself, the rest is up to me and you."

—Lisa "Left Eye" Lopez



Steven Douchette

Football 9  
Golf 11,12  
Basketball 9,10,11,12



Shane Doyle



Kyle Durant

Soccer 9,10,11,12  
Track & Field 9,10



Joseph Dussault



Peer Leaders 9,10,11,12  
Homeroom Rep. 10,11,12  
NEASC 11  
Prom Committee 11  
NHS 11,12  
Yearbook 9,12

Amanda Dutcher

"Keep away from people who try to belittle your ambitions.  
Small people always do that, but the really great make you  
feel that you, too, can become great." —Mark Twain



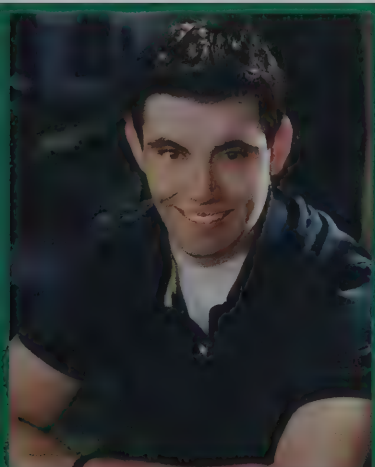


Jennifer Eldridge



Jennifer Esau

Cheerleading 9,10,11, Cpt. 12  
Winter Cheerleading 9,10,11,  
Cpt. 12



Football 9,10,11,12  
Lacrosse 9,10,11,12

John Feeney

"The road to success is always under construction."  
– Bill Belichick



Alessandra Fisher

Cheerleading 9,10,11,12  
Winter Cheerleading 9,10,11,12  
Track & Field 9



John Foley



Michael Gaffney





Robert Gentile

Marching Band 11, Sec.  
Leader 12  
Pit Orchestra 10,11,12  
Jazz Band 10,11,12  
NHS 11,12  
SADD 9,10  
Peer Leaders 9

"First of all, Papa Smurf didn't create Smurfette. Gargamel did." –Donnie Darko



Jillian Geribo



Mikayla Giannini

Basketball 9  
Softball 9  
Cheerleading 10,11,12

"The greatest pleasure in life is doing what people say you cannot do."



Brenda Gleason

Cross Country 9  
Basketball 9,10  
Softball 9,10  
Yearbook 12



Anthony Graziano



Elizabeth Griffin

Drama 10,11,12  
Marching Band  
9,10,11,12  
Jazz Band 9,10,11,12





Soccer 9,10,11,12  
Basketball 9,10,11,12  
Greenwave Gazette 11,12

Allison Griggs

"Could you remind me of the time when we were so alive? Do you remember that?"



Patrick Hanley



Tyler Hannon



Laura Harrison



Soccer 9,10,11,12  
Lacrosse 9,10,11,Cpt. 12  
Peer Leaders 9,10,11,12  
Student Council 10,11,Pres. 12  
NHS 11,12  
Homeroom Rep. 10,11,12  
Math Team 11

Christine Harvey

"Do what you feel in your heart to be right – for you will be criticized anyway." –Eleanor Roosevelt



Basketball 11  
Yearbook 12

Abigail Hass

"Do not dwell in the past, do not dream of the future, concentrate on the present moment." –Buddha





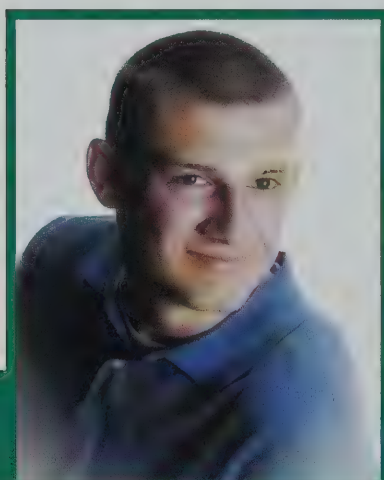
Brad Heger



Erin Hollander

Class President 10,11  
School Committee 11,12  
School Council 11,12  
NHS 11, Ways & Means 12  
NEASC 11,12  
AEF Rep 12

"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life  
you have imagined." –Henry David Thoreau



Benjamin Johnson

Football 9,10,11,12  
Baseball 9,10,11,12



John Joy

"Just do it."



Corey Judge



Samantha Judge

"One day your life will flash before your eyes, make sure it's  
worth watching."





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Lacrosse 9,10,11

Patrick Kustka



Alysha Lake

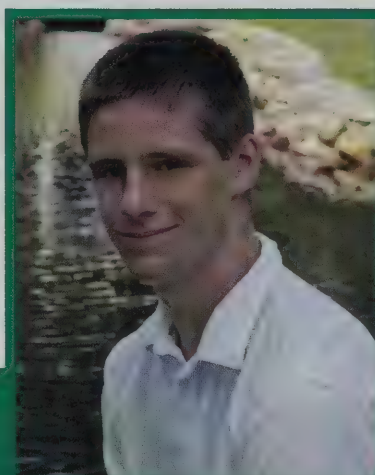
"Normal is what you make of each day!"



Football 9,10,11,Cpt. 12  
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You Lead 12

Kristian LaPointe

"Perfection is not attainable, but if we chase perfection we can catch excellence." -Vince Lombardi



Soccer 9,10,11,12  
Hockey 9,10,11  
Track & Field 9,10  
Ultimate Frisbee 11,12

Joseph Lawrence

"Don't gain the world and lose your soul, wisdom is better than silver or gold." - Bob Marley



Basketball 9,10,11,12  
Lacrosse 9,10, Cpt. 11,12

Sean Lawton



Football 9  
Soccer 11  
Baseball 10,11,12  
Golf 12

Kevin LeBlanc





Donna Leon



Kyle Linehan

"Dedication"

Football 9,10,11,12  
Hockey 9,10,11,12  
Baseball 9,10,11,12  
Homeroom Rep. 9,10,11,12  
NHS 11,12



Erica Lydon

"Count your age by friends not years, count your life by smiles not tears."

Basketball 9



Emily Lyons

"Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened."  
-Dr. Seuss

Cross Country 9,10  
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Sean MacLean

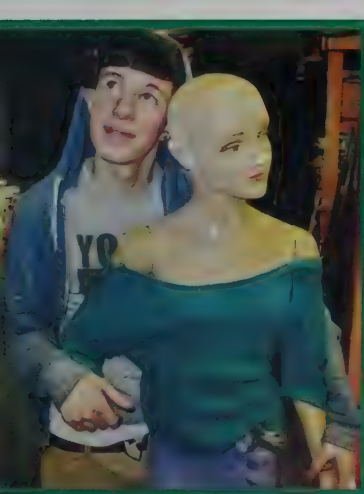


Nicholas Malafronte

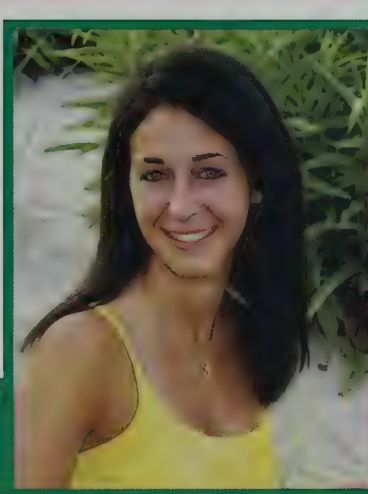
"Had no excuses for the things that we'd done, we were brave, we were crazy, we were mostly young."  
-Kenny Chesney

Football 9,10,11,12  
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James Manley



Lauren Marella

Soccer 9,10,11, Cpt.12  
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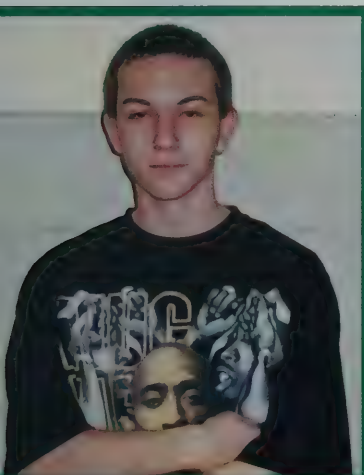


Nicholas Marella

Football 9  
Golf 12  
Hockey 9,10,11,Cpt. 12  
Baseball 9,10,11,12  
NHS 11,12



Jarod Maze



Kyle McCarthy



Shawn McCue

Football 9,10,11,12





Football 9,10  
Cross Country 11,12  
Track & Field 9,10,11,12

James McDonald

"A day without laughter is a day wasted."



Cross Country 10,11,12  
Track & Field 11,12  
Class President 12

Steven McGrail



Melissa Mello



Jason Mercier



Softball 9  
Drama 9,10,11,12  
Homeroom Rep 10,11  
Yearbook 12

Jessica Meurch

"Love is patient, love is kind...it always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always preserves." -Unknown



Football 9  
Hockey 9,10,11,12

Gregory Mitchell

"In this great future we can't forget our past." - Bob Marley





Peer Leaders 9  
Student Council 10

Kelly Mitchell

Admit your errors before someone else exaggerates them."  
-Andrew V. Mason

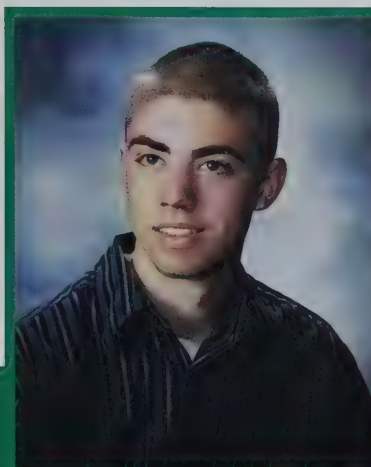


Cheerleading 9,10,11, Cpt.12  
Winter Cheerleading 9,10,11,  
Cpt. 12  
Track & Field 9,10  
Class VP 9,10,11,12  
NHS 11,12

Deanna Moore



Kristen Moschella



Cross Country 9,10,11,Cpt. 12  
Track & Field 9,10,11,Cpt. 12

Michael Mulligan



Alyssa Nash



Cross Country 11,12  
Track & Field 11,12  
Greenwave Gazette 11,12  
Drama 11,12  
Math Team 11  
Jazz Band 11  
NHS 12

Jennifer Ngo

"For everything you have missed, you have gained  
something else, and for everything you gain, you lose  
something else." -Ralph Waldo Emerson





Cross Country 9,10,11,Cpt. 12  
Lacrosse 9,10,11,Cpt. 12  
Peer Leader 9,10,11,12  
Student Council 11,12  
NHS 11,Ways & Means 12  
Homeroom Rep. 10,11,12  
Math Team 11  
Prom Committee 11  
Yearbook 12

Erin O'Brien

"To dare is to lose one's footing momentarily. To not dare is to lose oneself." –Soren Kierkegaard



Jaclyn O'Brien



Sean O'Brien



Peer Leaders 9  
Student Council 9  
Homeroom Rep. 11,12  
Prom Committee 11  
Yearbook 12

Brittany Odenweller

"Be happy, be perky, and say something nice to someone today."



Aidan O'Rourke



Peer Leaders 10  
SADD 10  
Yearbook 12

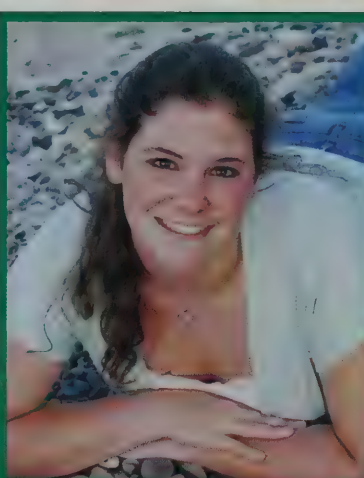
Kaitlyn Parker

"Some friends become your enemies. Some friends become your family. Make the best with what you're given."





Thiago Pereira



Olivia Perrone

Soccer 9,10,11,12  
Hockey 11,12  
Lacrosse 10,11,12  
Peer Leaders 9,12  
Homeroom Rep. 12  
Yearbook 12  
Drama 12

"I get by with a little help from my friends." -The Beatles



Melissa Peters

Drama 11,12  
Yearbook 12



Emily Picardi

Soccer 9,10,12  
Basketball 9,10  
Softball 9  
Prom Committee 11

"Nothing will stop me, and whether I'm here or wherever I may be, I'll always have the same feelings...I'll say what I feel."  
-John Lennon



Cory Pickering

NHS 11,12



James Polito

Hockey 9,10,11,12  
Lacrosse 10,11

"That'll do pig, that'll do."





Hockey 9,10,11,12  
Lacrosse 10,11

Joseph Polito



Tennis 11,12  
Prom Committee 11

Caroline Provost

"Sometimes good things fall apart so that better things can fall together." –Marilyn Monroe



Soccer 9,12  
Basketball 9,10,11,12  
Softball 9,10,11,12

Kristen Reynolds

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams." –Eleanor Roosevelt



Hockey 9,10,11, Cpt.12

Daniel Rogers



Golf 9,10,11,12  
Basketball 9,10  
Hockey 11,12  
Lacrosse 10

Taylor Rogers



Marching Band 9,10,11,12  
Track & Field 10,11,12  
Jazz Band 9,10,11,12  
Pit Orchestra 9,10,12  
Math Team 9,10,11  
NHS 11,12

James Rota

"To stay true to one's self in the face of great adversity is one of the rarest, and most honorable traits."





Drama 9,10,11,12  
NHS 12

Elizabeth Ruhr

"Life is all about taking risks to get what you want."  
-Adam Lambert

Amanda Russell

"Let he among us without sin be the first to condemn  
La Vie Boneme." -Rent



NHS 12

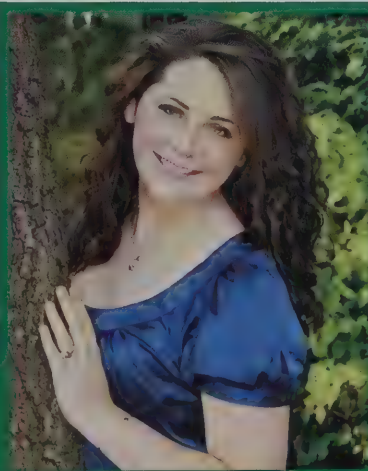
Joshua Shields

Livia Silva

"And in the end, it's not the years in your life that counts.  
It's the life in your years." -Unknown



Football 9  
Hockey 9,10,11,12  
Lacrosse 10,11,12  
Best Buddies 11,12



Drama 9,10,11,12  
Show Choir 9,10  
National Anthem 10,11,12

Brett Slonina

"I have to go to the hospital."-Beddy

Caroline Smith

"Sometimes moving on with the rest of your life, starts with  
goodbye."-Carrie Underwood





Jaclyn Solomon



Ultimate Frisbee 11,12

William Taylor

"Is this the life that you lead or the life that's led for you?  
Will you take the road that's been laid out before you?"  
-Rise Against



Hockey 11,12  
Lacrosse 11,12

Andrew Thompson



Drama 11,12  
SAM 12

Kirsten Utterson

"Without passion, we'd truly be dead."  
-Buffy the Vampire Slayer



Football 12  
Track & Field 11, Cpt. 12  
Prom Committee 11  
Homeroom Rep. 12

Daniel Weems

"She thinks my tractor's sexy."



Peer Leaders 9,10,11,VP 12  
NHS 11,12  
Student Council 12

Emily Welch

"What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny  
matters compared to what lies within us."  
- Ralph Waldo Emerson



# Gone But Not *Forgotten*

Stephen McElroy  
Kirsten Keaney  
Robert Burnie  
Ronald Litif  
Rob Lee  
Christine Maloney  
Kerri McDonough  
Justin Fitzmaurice

Marcella Barros  
Anthony Coelho  
Kelly Wallace  
Julie Fitzmaurice  
Christopher Niven  
Ronald Walsh

Jasmine Jackson  
Stephen Raio  
Jared Cullenin  
Joshua Cullenin

Ryan Dickey  
Jesse McCauley  
Michael Akusis

Nicholas Butts  
Timothy Haberer  
Kayla Stagnone  
Dillon Bibeault  
Kevin Bezanson  
Jesse Bill  
Tyler Hubbard  
Janet Brady  
Matthew Bollinger  
Jade Stone  
Alicia Moreland



*Best Dressed*



Caroline Provost &  
Andrew Crosta

*Most Athletic*



Lauren Marella &  
Kristian LaPointe

# *Superlatives*

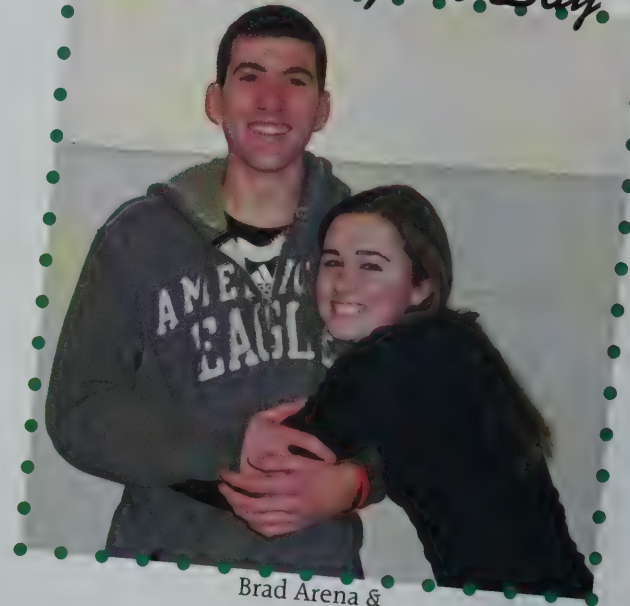
## A Perfect Fit

*Most Artistic*



Kyle Linehan &  
Sarah Atkinson

*Most Likely to  
Brighten Your Day*



Brad Arena &  
Kristen Reynolds



## Would do Anything to Win a Superlative



Melissa Mello & Nick Malafronte

## Most Argumentative



Brian DiCenzo & Krista Commesso

## Best Laugh



Nick Carraggi & Sarah Carvell

## Best Hair



Steve McGrail & Lauren DiFazio

## Worst Drivers



Abbey Beatson & Greg Mitchell



## Best Dancers



Al Fisher &  
Andrew Crosta

## Most Likely to Be Mistaken for a Freshman



Pat Hanley &  
Meredith Brown

## Class Hotties



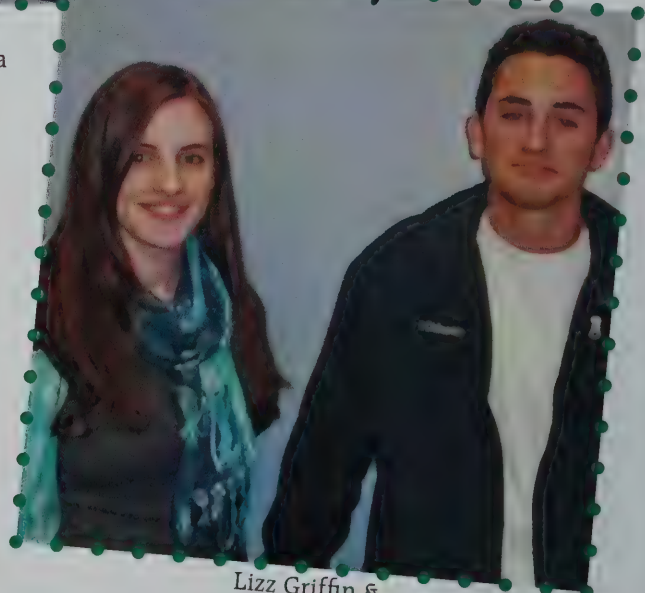
Jen Esau &  
Nick Marella

## Best Eyes



Rob Chiodi &  
Brenda Gleason

## Always Late



Lizz Griffin &  
Andrew Thomson



## True Townies



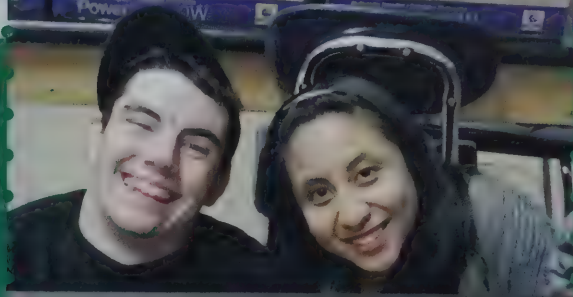
Corey Donlan &  
Erin Hollander

## Most Musical



James Rota &  
Melissa Peters

## Pops Up Everywhere



Jack Feeney &  
Jenn Ngo

## Worst Cars



Kim Cutter &  
Kevin LeBlanc

## Best Cars



Rob Cornish &  
Kirsten Utterson



*Best Smile*



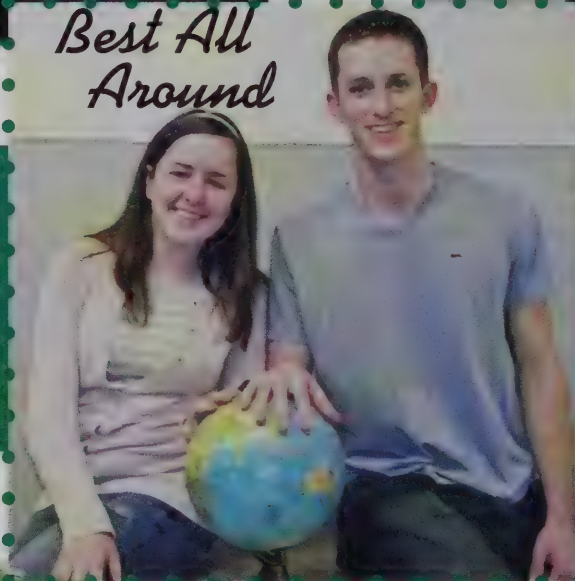
Jen Esau &  
Ian Campbell

*Most Outgoing*



Emily Lyons &  
Brett Slonina

*Best All  
Around*



Carolyn Creighton &  
Greg Cronin

*Most  
Greenwave  
Pride*



Erin Hollander &  
Nick Malafronte

*Always  
Making Excuses*



Olivia Perrone &  
John Costa



## Most Likely to Succeed



Rob Chiodi &  
Melissa Donaher

## Best Singers



Caroline Smith &  
Greg Cronin

## Biggest Case of Senoritis



Jaryd Delehanty &  
Deanna Moore

## Biggest Flirts



Kristian LaPointe &  
Al Fisher

## Class Clowns



Mikayla Giannini &  
Rich Curtain



# Teacher & Student BFFs



Ms. Doherty &  
Erin O'Brien



Mr. Regalbuto &  
Nick Marella



Ms. Powers &  
Nick Malafronte



Ms. Kinsman &  
Kirsten Utterson



Mr. Duggan &  
Emily Picardi



## *Girl Inseparables*



Erin Hollander &  
Taylor Darmetko

## *Boy Inseparables*



Jim Polito &  
Joe Polito

## *Class Couple*



Kaitlyn Parker &  
Mark Doneghey

*Song*  
Party in the  
USA by Miley  
Cyrus

# Class of 2010 Favorites

*Sport*  
Football

*Movie*  
The Hangover

*Hangout*  
Room 313



*Store*  
American Eagle

*TV Show*  
The Office

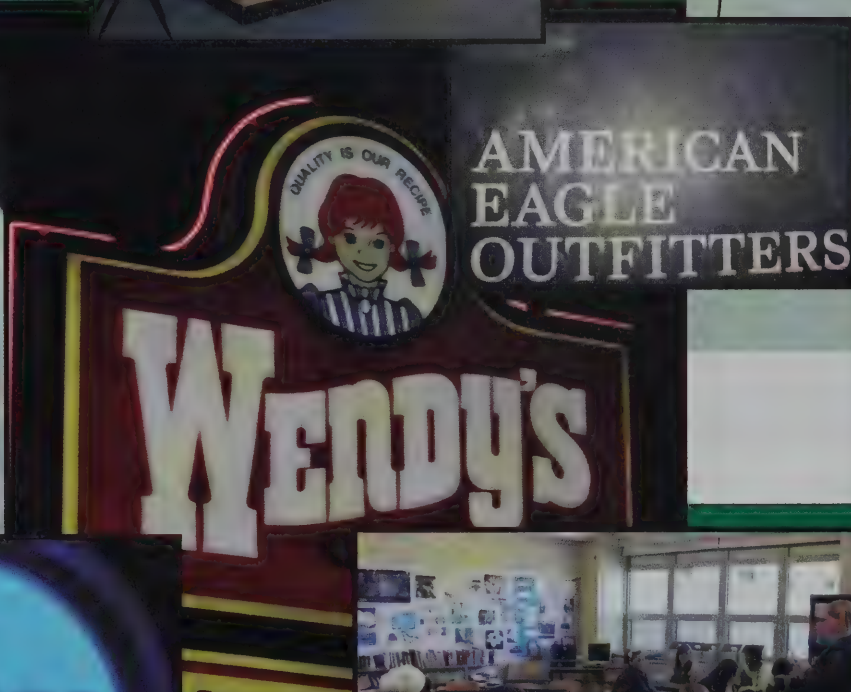


*School Lunch*  
Chicken Bowl



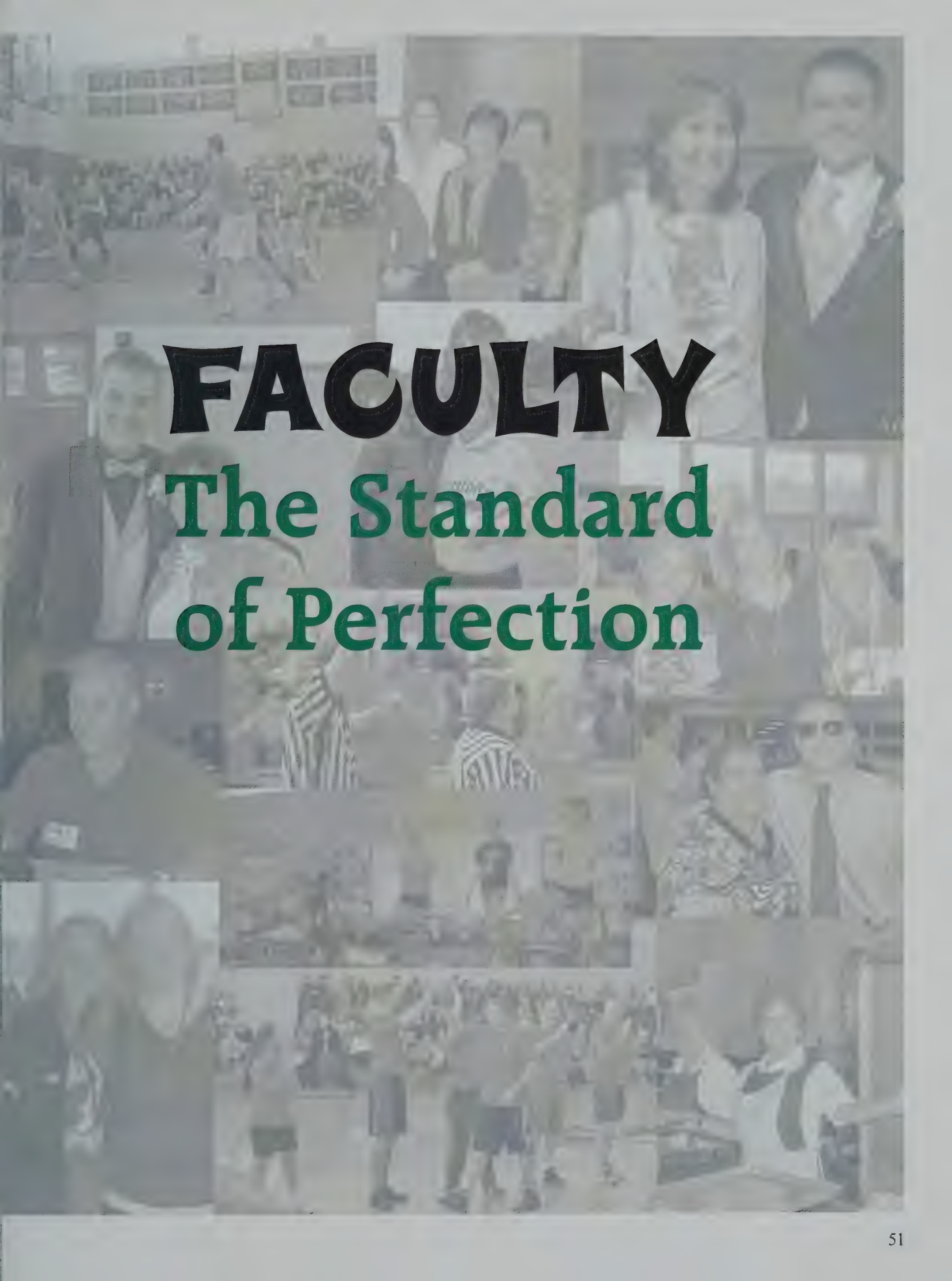
*Radio Station*  
Kiss 108

*Restaurant*  
Wendy's



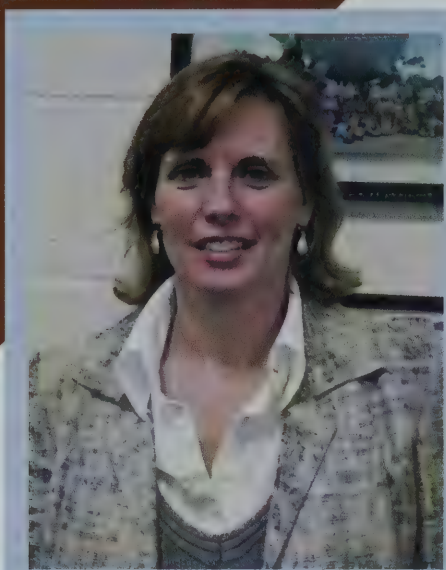
*Class*  
AP English with  
Ms. McHugh





# **FACULTY**

## **The Standard of Perfection**



Principal Ms. Sullivan

The teachers and staff at Abington High School have been a crucial part of our educational process. From Ms. Dwyer's check plus opportunities, to philosophizing with Mr. Spino, and saying "3 Nice Things" for Ms. Daisy, we have shared many fantastic experiences. They have worked hard to provide us with the tools and skills we will need to be thoughtful, well-informed citizens.

Now it is our responsibility to make the most of all we have been given by the dedicated AHS faculty.



Vice-Principal Mr. Bourn

## *Guidance Department*



Ms. O'Brien, Ms. Bulman, Ms. Ferioli



## *Secretaries*



Ms. Zakraweski, Ms. Potter, Ms. Kelliher



Librarian Ms. Crowley

## *History Department*



Mr. Scott, Mr. Serino, Mr. Moore,  
Ms. Dwyer, Mr. Lanner, Ms. Kinsman



## *English Department*



Ms. Louko, Ms. Clifford, Ms. Pflaumer  
Ms. McHugh, Mr. Regalbuto, Dr. Gonsalves

## *Science Department*



Mr. Beer, Mr. Crain, Mr. Kitterick, Mr. McGinness  
Ms. Salvetti, Ms. Kelliher



## *Mathematics Department*



Mr. Kane, Ms. Doherty, Ms. Murphy, Ms. Kitterick, Ms. Dion,  
Mr. Markowski, Ms. Gagnon

## *Foreign Language Department*



Ms. Ward, Ms. Grabowski, Ms. Fry, Ms. Gillis



## *Special Education Department*



Mr. Seigel, Ms. Pearsons, Ms. Culbert, Ms. Keohane, Mr. Dorman  
Ms. Druthers, Ms. Goodman, Ms. Balasco

## *Business Department*



Mr. Leavell

## *Music Department*



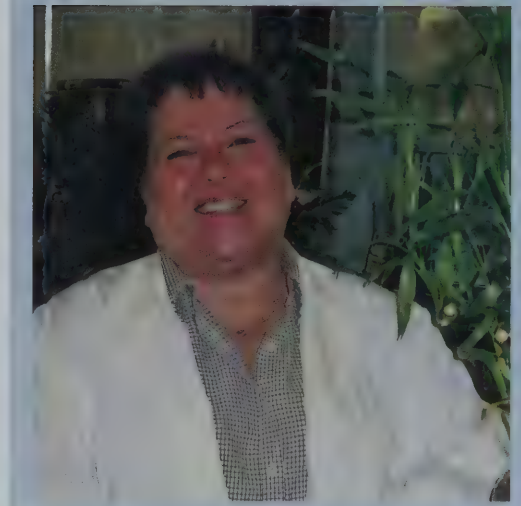
Ms. Harrington & Mr. Shannon



# Wellness & Physical Education Department

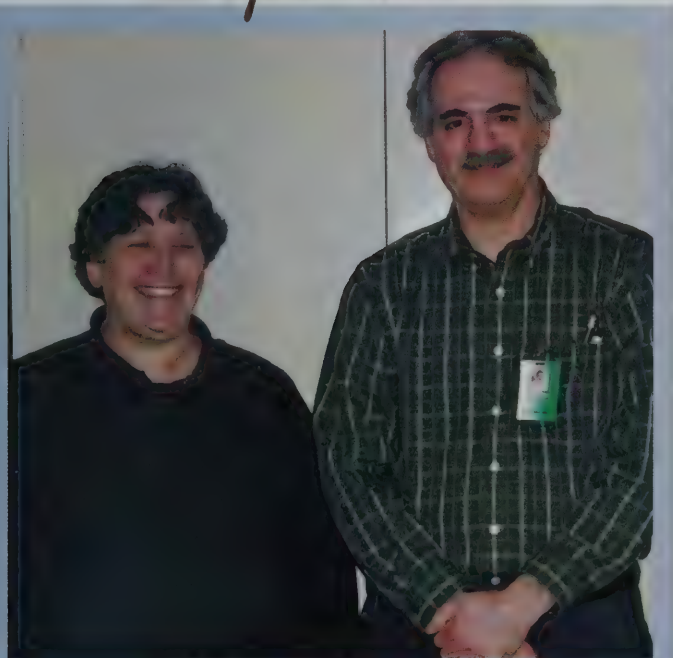


Ms. Langer, Mr. Duggan, & Ms. Daisy



Nurse Ms. Chiasson

## Art Department



Ms. Goldman & Mr. Mahoney

## Athletic Department



Mr. DelGrosso

## *Security*



Mr. Smith

## *Custodians*



Steve, Tom, Rick

## *Cafeteria Staff*





## *Substitutes*



Mr. Perasklis



Mr. McIsaac

## *Gone, But Not Forgotten:*

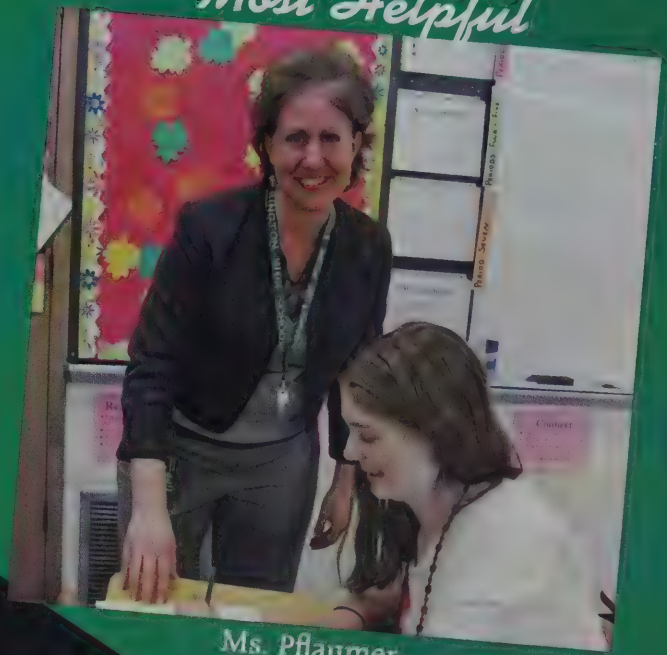
Mr. Shea  
Ms. Powers  
Mr. Spino  
Ms. Rainville  
Ms. Lee  
Ms Daley  
Mr. Kaufman  
Mr. McDonald  
Mr. Holbrook  
Mr. Driscoll  
Ms. Julien

*Highest Expectations*



Mr. Scott

*Most Helpful*



Ms. Pflaumer

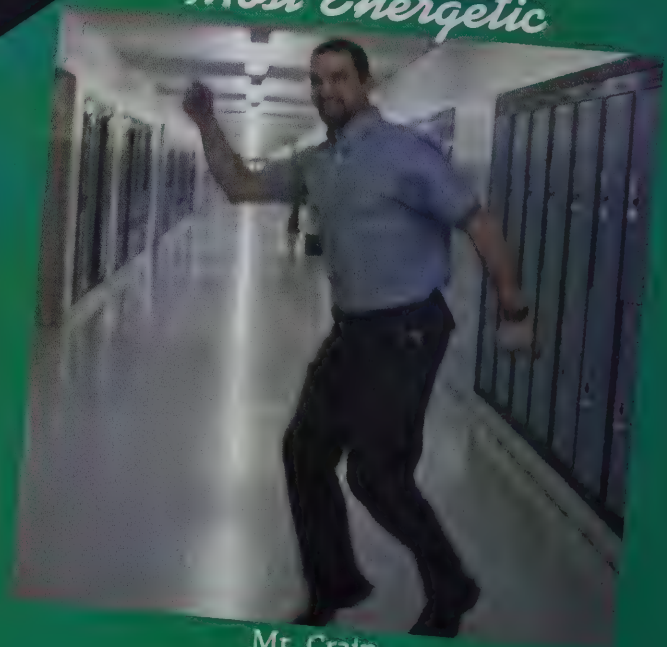
# *Faculty Superlatives*

*Most Parent-Like*



Ms. Daisy

*Most Energetic*



Mr. Crain



*Most Humorous*



Mr. Kittenick

*Most Dedicated*



Mr. Regalbuto

*Best All Around*



Ms. Dwyer

*Best Dressed*



Ms. McHugh

*Best Looking*



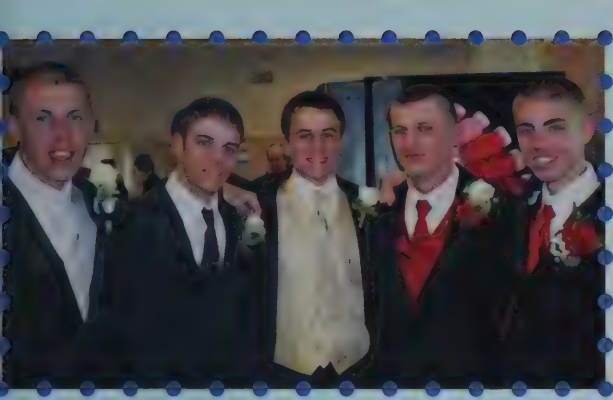
Mr. McGinness



# **SPECIAL EVENTS**

*A Perfect Day*





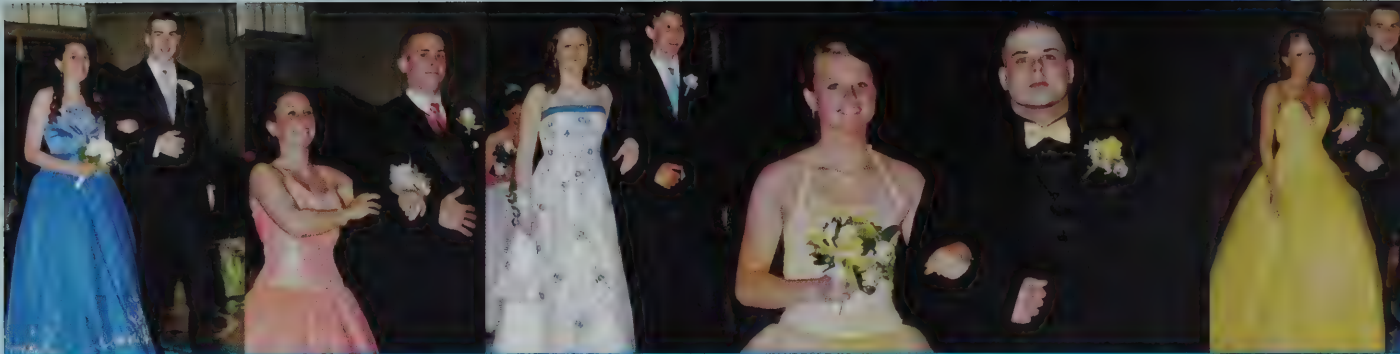
# Junior Prom

2010 Leagues  
Under the Sea



The Red Lion Inn  
Cohasset, MA  
May 1st, 2009





Allyson Nagle  
&  
Rob Cornish

Emily Lyons  
&  
Brian Kurowski

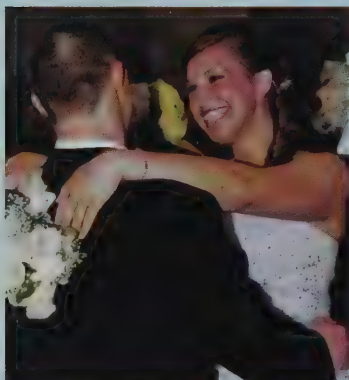
Allison Griggs  
&  
her date

Kim Cutter  
&  
Tony Gratta

Krista Commess  
&  
Tyler Hannon



# Grand March ~2009~



Sarah Carvell shares a laugh with  
her date



Emily Picardi & Nick Malafronte  
are all smiles

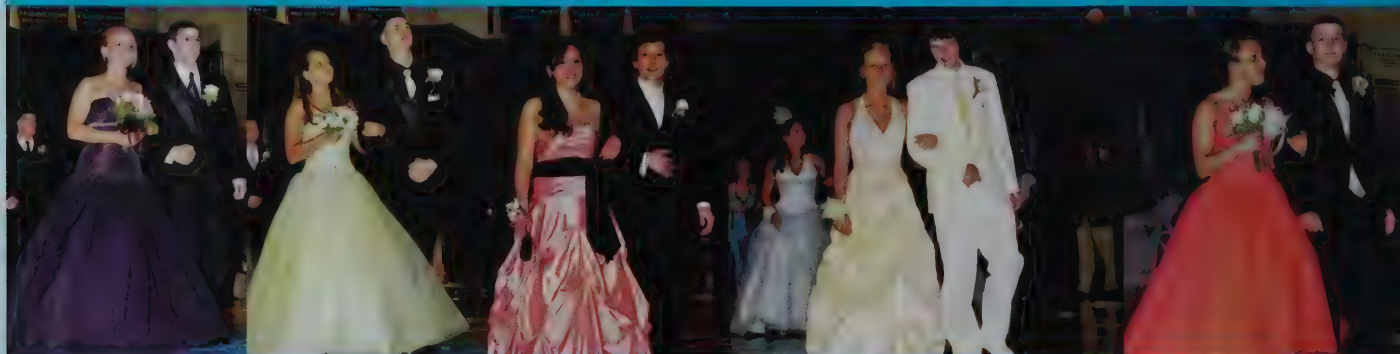
Melissa DeCarli  
&  
her date

Jen Esau  
&  
Dylan Roberts

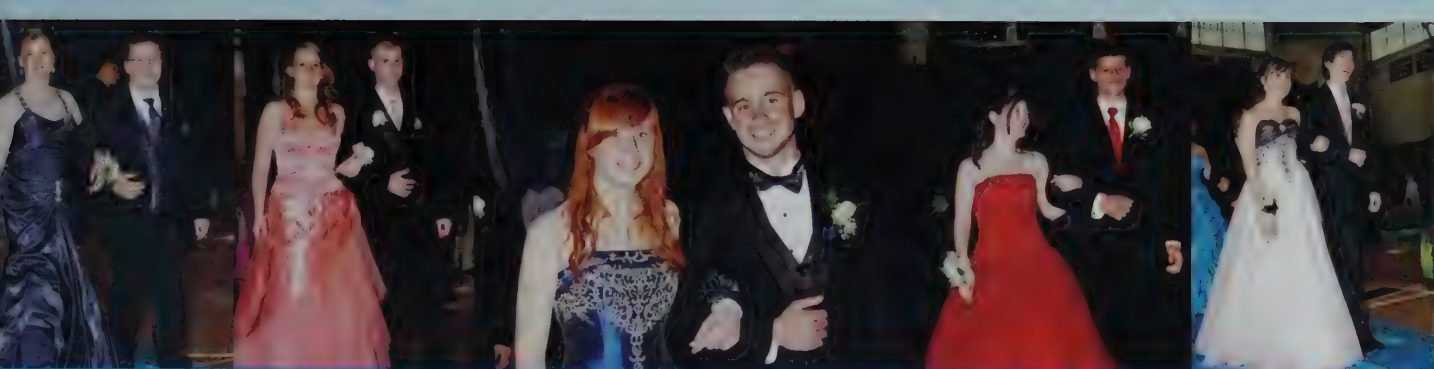
Nicole D'Attilio  
&  
Sean McLean

Teresa Franey  
&  
Kevin LeBlanc

Al Fisher  
&  
Zach Littman







Amanda Russell

Abby Hass

Brenda Gleason

Sam Judge

Kattlyn Parker

Evan Baxter

Larry Francis

Chris Carraggi

Joe Lawrence

Mark Doneghey

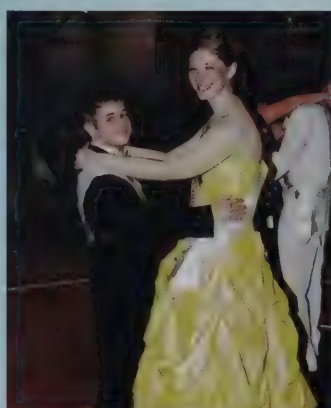


Homecoming Court 2009: Mikayla Giannini, Lauren Marella, Caroline Smith, Melissa Donaher, Pat Hanley, Kevin LeBlanc, Andrew Crosta, & Rob Cornish.

# Prom Court



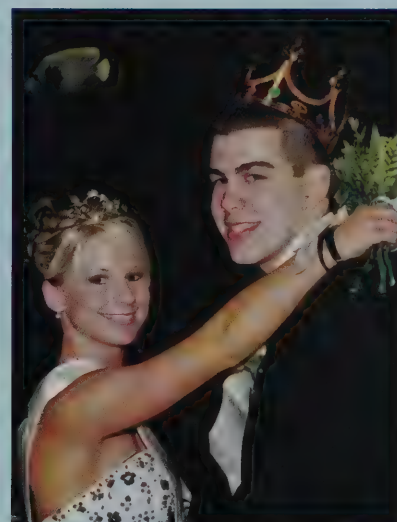
Lauren Marella &  
Andrew Crosta



Pat Hanley &  
Melissa Donaher

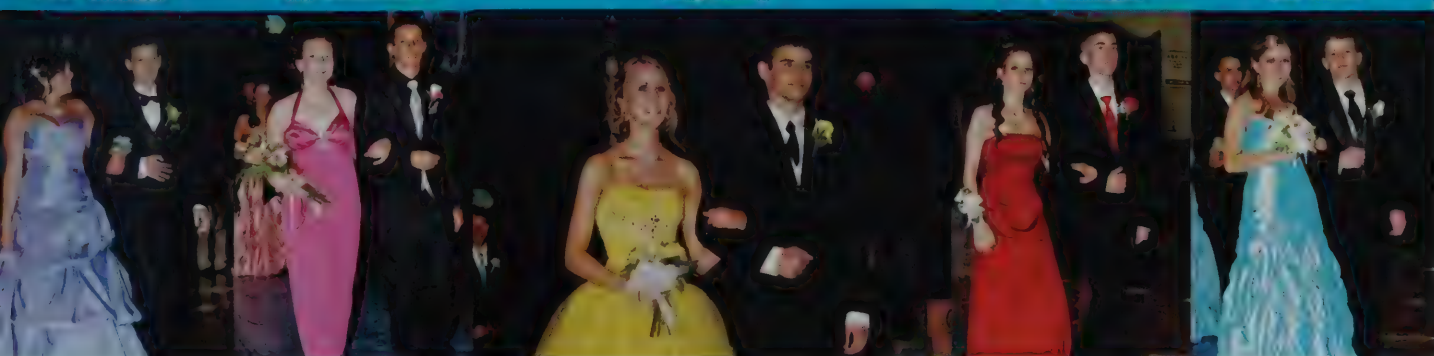


Caroline Smith &  
Kevin LeBlanc

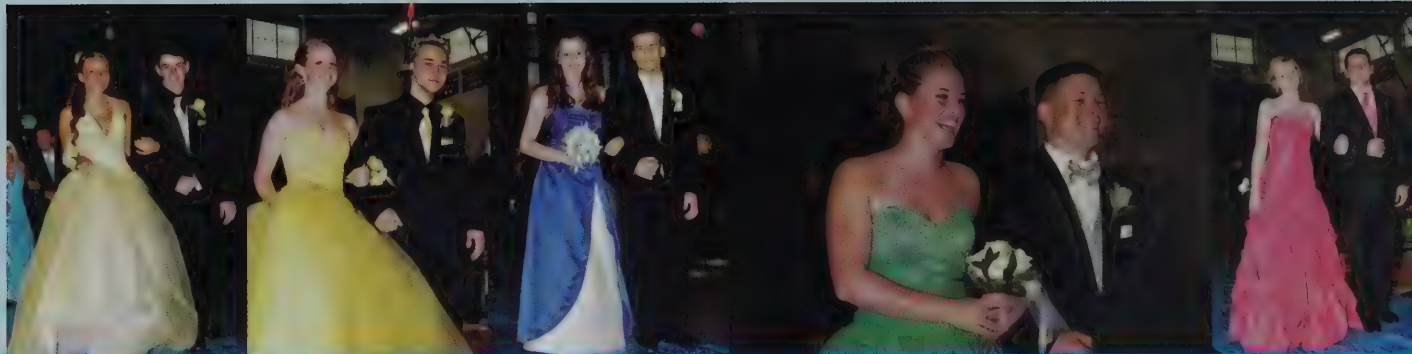


Prom King & Queen:  
Mikayla Giannini & Rob Cornish

Lauren DiFazio & Nick Carraggi	Anna Abatangelo & Jay Costantino	Caroline Provost & Greg Yelsey	Melissa Mello & Mike Mulligan	Lauryl Ryan & Jim Polito
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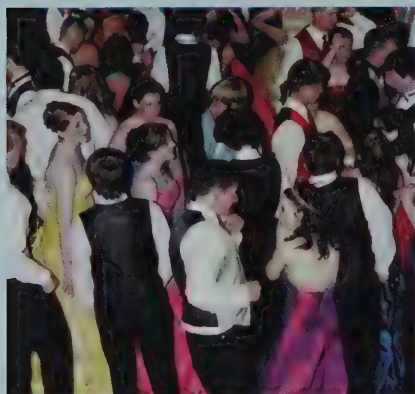
Jack Feeney  
&  
his date

Billy Currie  
&  
Liz Mollica

Lizz Griffin  
&  
Eric Deveau

Ian Campbell  
&  
Kelsey Cheney

Meghan DiMaggio  
&  
her date



Erin O'Brien & Ms. McHugh



Al Fisher & Deanna Moore

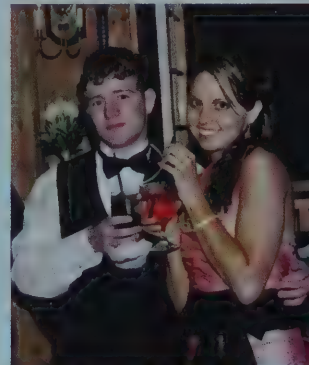
## Red Lion Inn



Caroline Provost & Erica Lydon



Melissa DeCarli, Kristen Reynolds, Taylor Darmetko, Erin Hollander, & Emily Picardi



Joe Polito & Julie Bacon

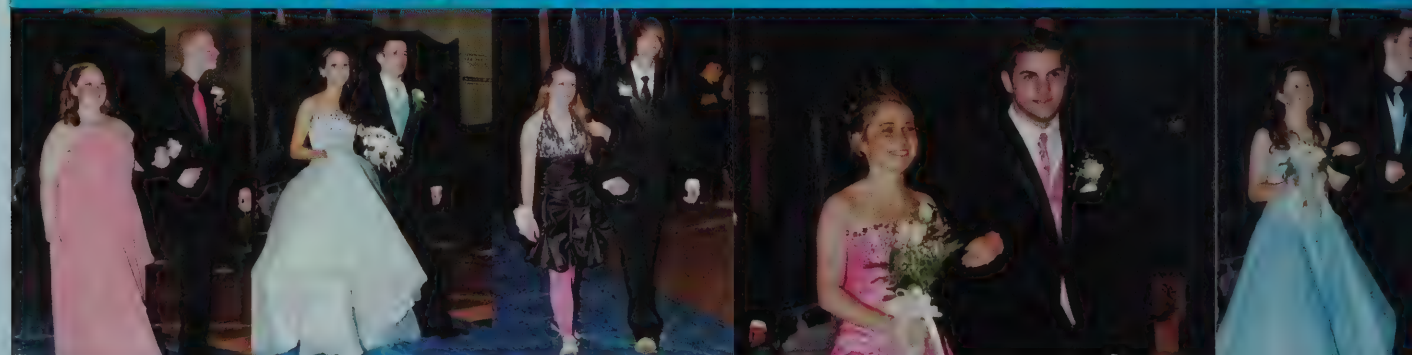
Jill Geribo  
&  
her date

Brittany Odenweller  
&  
Cory Pickering

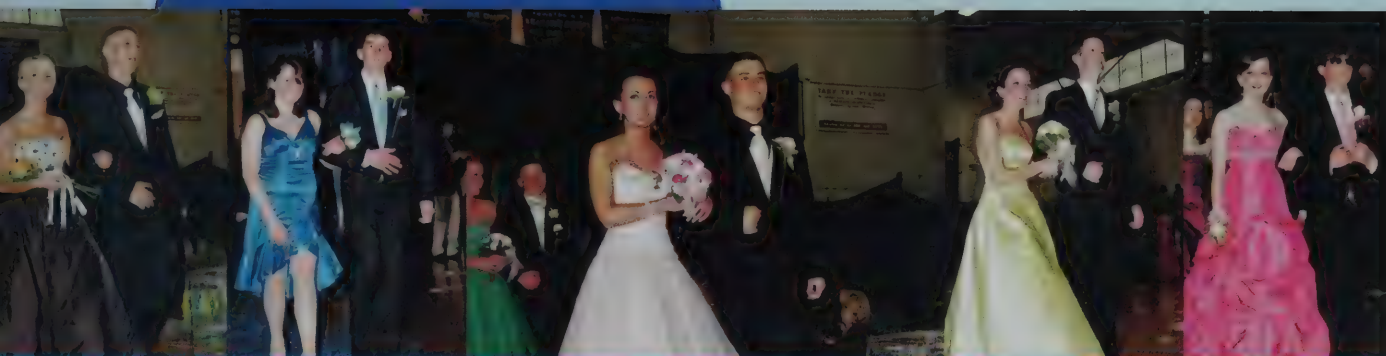
Erin Connors  
&  
her date

Meredith Brown  
&  
her date

Kristen Reynolds  
&  
Ryan Chambers







Mikayla Gianini  
&  
Joe Theodore

Kendra Currie  
&  
Brad Arena

Taylor Darmetko  
&  
Kristian LaPointe

Hilary Dillon  
&  
Greg Cronin

Carolyn Creighton  
&  
Chris McDonnell



Luke DeYulus, Jay Costantino,  
Tyler Hannon, & Mike O'Kane



Meredith Brown & Sarah Carvell



Erin O'Brien, Christine Harvey,  
Mr. Crain, & Sam Judge



Kaitlyn Parker & Mark Doneghey

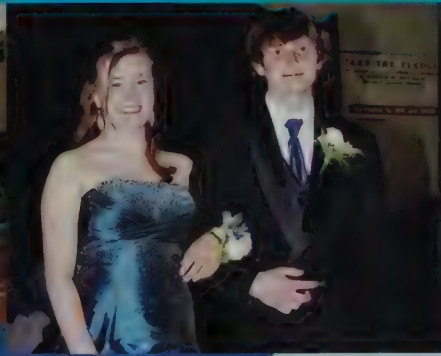
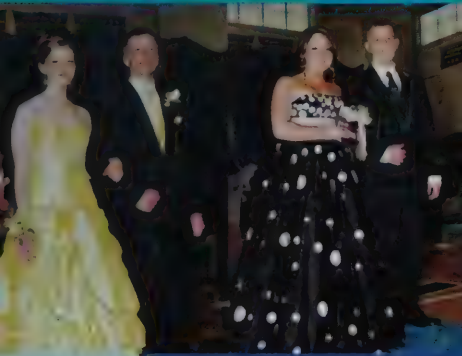
Melissa Donaher  
&  
James Rota

Caroline Smith  
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Luke Deyulus

Christine Harvey  
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Ben Mitchell

Melissa Peters  
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her date

Livia Silva  
&  
her date



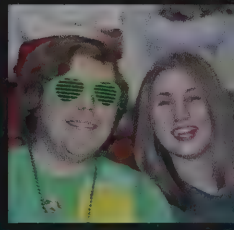




Acorn-relay competitors: Melissa Donaher, Carolyn Creighton, Brittany Odenweller, Corey Donlan, Meredith Brown, Joe Lawrence, Jenn Ngo, Sean O'Brien, & Anthony Graziano

# Senior Day

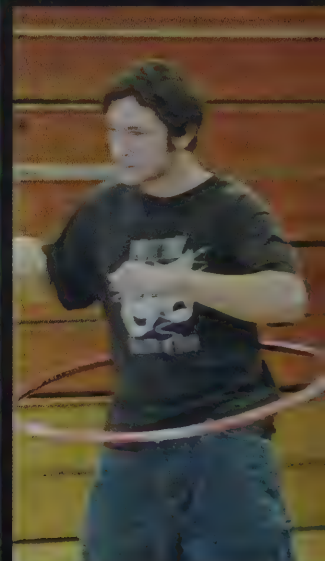
Senior Spirit Day was a chance for the seniors to show their Greenwave pride and to participate in some fun and crazy activities. Games like tug-of-war, balloon pop, hula hoop, melt a frozen T-shirt, and candy corn relays were enjoyed by all. But the best activity of the day had to be the Dress a Boy like a Girl Contest. All the boys rocked their girly outfits, but in the end, Pat Hanley was chosen as the winner. A great time was had by all, and Senior Day is sure to be a great tradition in the years to come.



Above: Lauren DiFazio & Brittany Odenweller and (right) Evan Baxter & Amanda Russell all enjoying Senior Day



Ms. McHugh's period 1 class shows their spirit before the Senior Games begin.

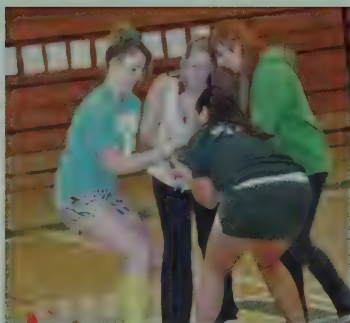


AJ Conway in the Hula-Hooping contest

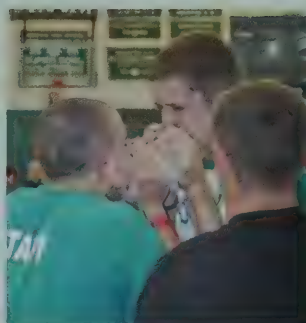




Erin O'Brien, Carolyn Creighton, Christine Harvey & Melissa Donaher get ready to melt a frozen T-shirt



Different groups employed different strategies in the Melt a Frozen T-shirt Contest: Nick Malafronte & Greg Cronin attempt to blow on their T-shirt, while Abby Hass, Lindsey Davis, Brenda Gleason, & Lauren DiFazio try to yank theirs apart.



The winning Tug-of-War team: Ian Campbell, Nick Malafronte, Kristian LaPointe, Sean Lawton, Kristen Reynolds & Greg Cronin (not pictured) Corey Donlan, & Rob Cornish,



Taylor Darmetko, Melissa DeCarli, & Kristen Reynolds



Jenn Ngo & James Rota debating in English class



Seniors get ready to start the Pie Eating Contest



Boys dressed like girls: Pat Hanley, Bobby Gentile, Nick Malafronte, Andrew Thompson, Ian Campbell, & Kyle Linehan..



# Homecoming

October 23, 2009



Melissa Donaher, Christine Harvey, Carolyn Creighton, Erin O'Brien, & Emily Welch

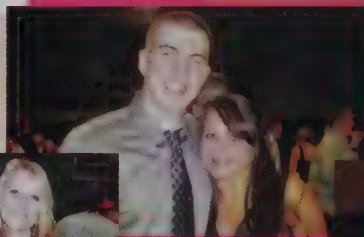


Meredith Brown, Sarah Carvell & Brittany Odenweller

Ben Pignone, Lauren Marella & Sarah Atkinson



Taylor Chirokas & Rachel Bonvie

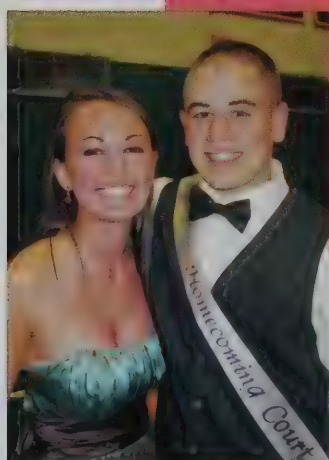


Dan Weems & Melisa Mello



(Above) Rob Cornish & Al Fisher

Emily Welch & Christine Harvey



Taylor Darmetto & Nick Malafronte



Erin Hollander, Emily Picardi, Melissa DeCarli & Corey Donlan

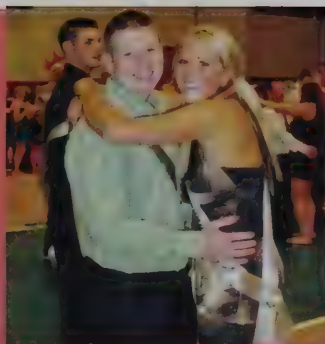


(Below) Lauren DiFazio & Kim Cutter





Al Fisher & Kim Cutter



Ian Campbell & Deanna Moore



Lauren Marella & Kristian LaPointe

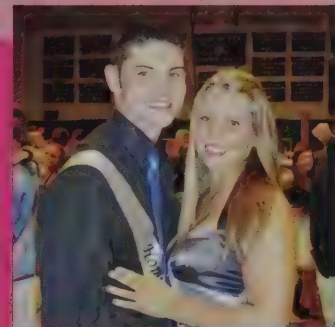


Homecoming 2009 King & Queen  
Nick Malafronte & Carolyn Creighton

# The Court



Shown above is the 2009 Homecoming Court.  
(from left) Nick Malafronte, Deanna Moore, Kristian LaPointe, Lauren Marella, Corey Donlan, Emily Lyons,  
Andrew Crosta, Jen Esau, Ian Campbell & Carolyn Creighton.



Andrew Crosta & Jen Esau



Emily Lyons & Corey Donlan



Taylor Darmetko, Corey Donlan, Nick  
Malafronte, Ryan Chambers & Jackie Solomon



Rachel Bonvie, Emily Welch, Melissa Donaher, Christine  
Harvey, Carolyn Creighton & Erin O'Brien



Tabby Deree  
& Taylor Chirokas



Brett Slonina, Brittany Odenweller, Tj Rogers, Mike Mulligan & Kevin LeBlanc



Jake Weems, Kyle Linehan, Andrew Thompson, Dan  
Rogers & Mike Gaffney



Cross Country  
Captains, Mike  
Mulligan & John  
McKeon

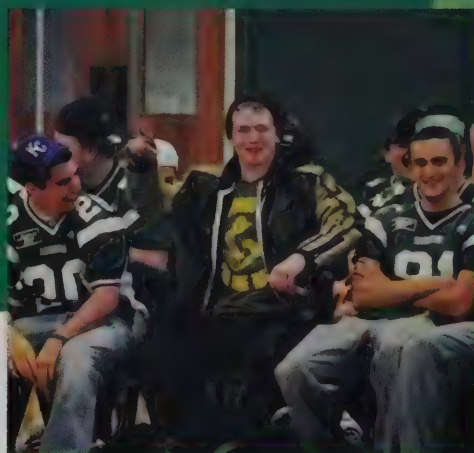


The cheerleaders show their support for the football team.

Soccer Captains,  
Carolyn Creighton &  
Lauren Marella



Football Captains, Rob Cornish, Kristian  
LaPointe, Andrew Crosta & Ian Campbell



Rich Cornish gets excited about the senior kick



MC's Melissa Peters and junior Bridget Wakelin



Pat Hanley, Melissa Peters & Steve McGrail



# Pep Rally

## 2009



The girls of the senior skit say a prayer at "Papa Ginos: All You Can Eat"



Emily Picardi and  
Melissa DeCarli  
as Rob Cornish  
and Nick  
Malafronte



## Senior Skit

Al Fildes as Don Williams



(The girls of the senior skit



Lauren DiFazio as John Costa also known as "The Gerber Baby", and Sarah Carvell





Contestants dance to Beyonce's Single Ladies

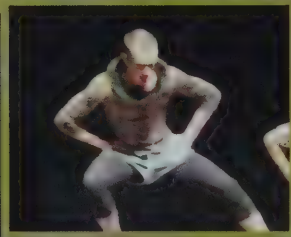


The formal wear portion

## Seniors



Nick Malafra



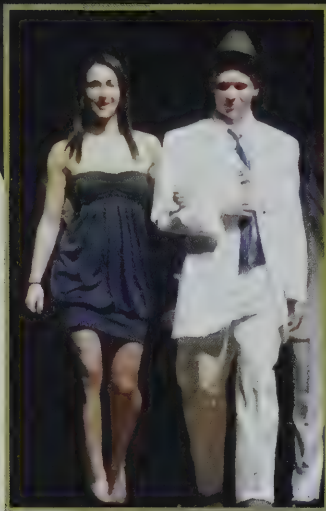
Corey Donlan



Danny Weems

# Mr. AHS

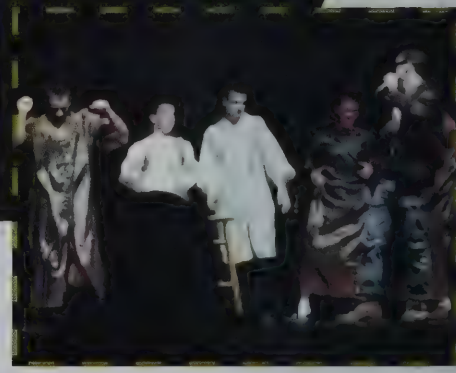
## February 4th, 2010



The 5th Annual Mr. AHS competition was a night filled with quality entertainment for all. Organized by the National Honor Society, the contest featured 7 AHS males, ranging from freshmen to seniors, all vying for the title of Mr. AHS 2010. NHS president Greg Cronin hosted the show, which included a hilarious dance routine choreographed by Erin Hollander and Taylor Darnetko, as well as a more traditional formal wear section. Each of the contestants also performed an original talent. The audience witnessed some fabulously retro boy band performances, a Beatles sing-along, and even a demonstration on the history of dance.

During the final question and answer portion of the competition, all the contestants wowed the audience and judges alike with their wit and charm. After tallying the judges' votes, freshman

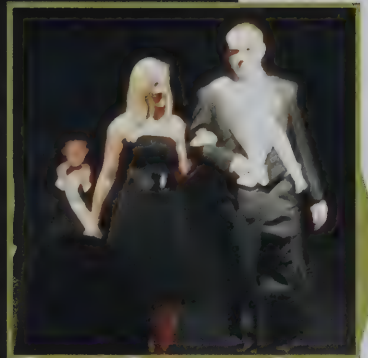
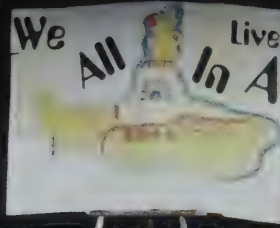
Jack Malafra was 2nd runner-up, senior Corey Donlan placed 1st runner-up, and sophomore Teddy Andrade was crowned the new Mr. AHS.







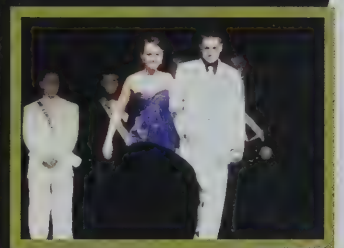
*Second Runner Up*  
**Jack Malfronte**



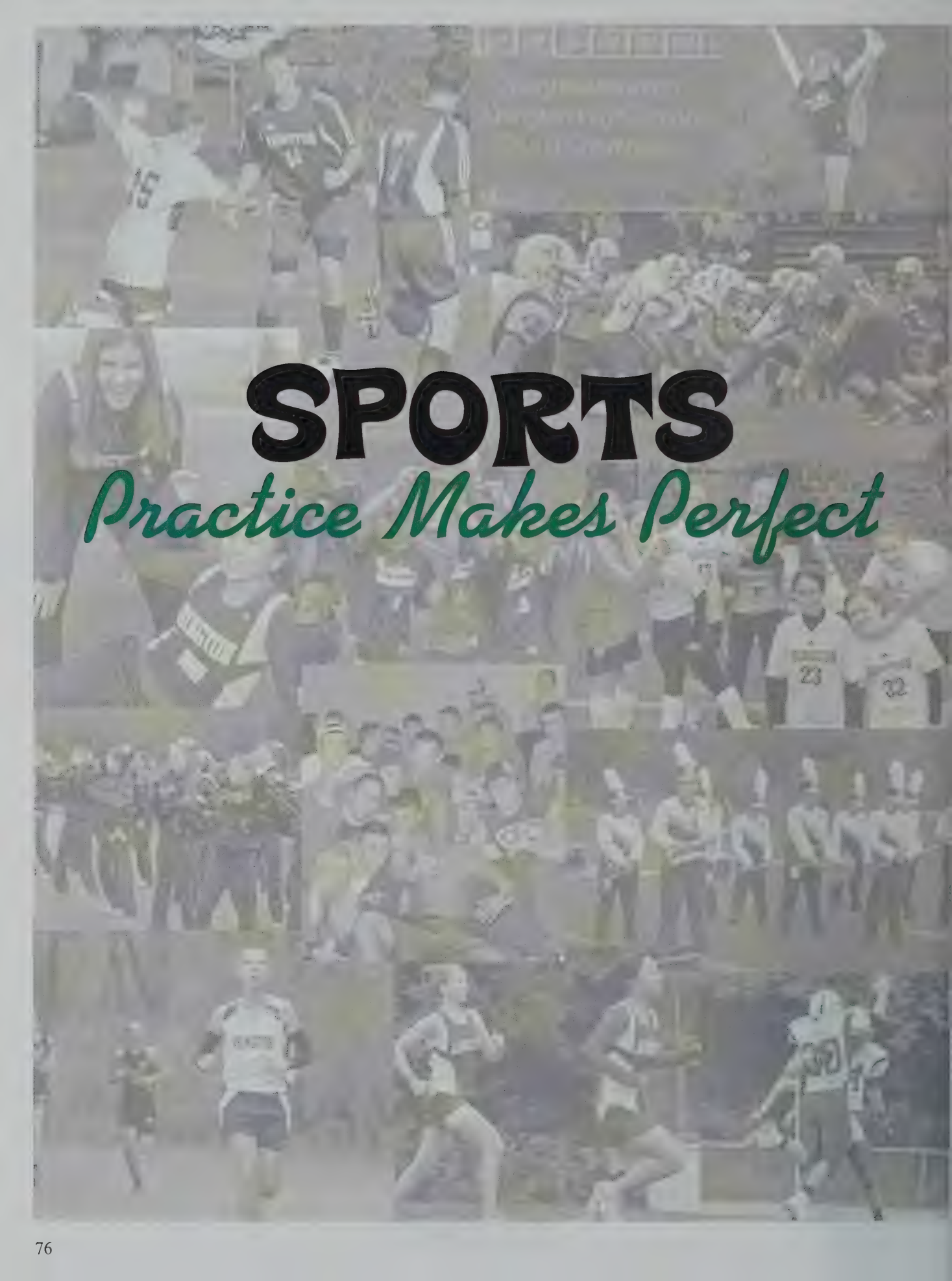
*First Runner Up*  
**Corey Donlan**



*Mr. AHS 2010 Winner*  
**Teddy Andrade**







# SPORTS

*Practice Makes Perfect*



# GOLF



Meredith Cellini, Nick Marella, Corey Donlan, T.J. Rogers, Kevin Quinlan, Ben Pignone, Kevin LeBlanc, Shane Doyle  
Tim DeGrasse, John LeBlanc, Conor Donovan, Nick Atkinson

## *Coach:*

Mr. Hill

## *Captains:*

Corey Donlan  
T.J. Rogers  
Ben Pignone

T.J. Rogers  
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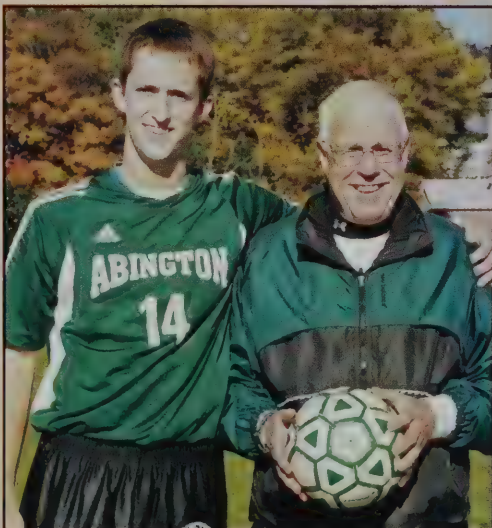


# BOYS Soccer



The boys soccer team, led by seniors Brad Arena, Rob Chiodi, Ryan Chambers, Captain Greg Cronin, Joey Dussault, and Joe Lawrence didn't have their best season this year, but definitely had fun. Coach

Allen Howie made it a very memorable and quotable year where class commitment and desire were most important. They had some close games, and even pulled out a win versus the reigning state champion Carver team. Overall, it was another season of Abington High School soccer.



Captain Greg Cronin and Coach Howie



Seniors Ryan Chambers and Rob Chiodi shake hands with the opposing team at the end of the game.







Senior Joe Lawrence beats out the opponent to get the ball



Junior goalkeeper Dan Fitzgerald makes a nice save



Senior captain Greg Cronin leads his teammates in a run to warm-up before a game.



Captain Greg Cronin helps the team gets hyped up before the start of their game



Senior Rob Chiodi chases down his opponent in a game against East Bridgewater.





The Senior members of the team:  
Top: Olivia Perrone, Kristen Reynolds, Taylor Darnetko, Emily Picardi, & Allison Griggs.  
bottom: Melissa DeCarli, Christine Harvey, Lauren Marella, & Carolyn Creighton



Senior Captain Carolyn Creighton, who was named a League All-Star, attempts to steal the ball from her opponent



Seniors Emily Picardi & Allison Griggs hanging out before a game.



Seniors Taylor Darnetko & Kristen Reynolds supporting each other after the game

Members of the Abington High School Girls Soccer team:  
Top: Olivia Perrone, Kristen Reynolds, Jill Goldman, Bridget Wakelin, Allison Griggs, Sam Slack, Sabrina Gordiner, Katie Cawley, Jillian Marella, & Emily Picardi.  
Bottom: Steph Chiocchio, Melissa DeCarli, Christine Harvey, Carolyn Creighton, Lauren Marella, Jess Marini, Sammi Zina, Jackie Hamel, & Kim Esau



# GIRLS Soccer

Junior Bridget Wakelin,  
& seniors Kristen  
Reynolds and Taylor  
Darmetko goof around  
on the sidelines



Senior Captains Lauren Marella & Carolyn Creighton

The Abington High School girls' soccer team is worked on a year of rebuilding. After losing eight seniors last year, the team knew that this was going to be a tough year and needed to work on rebuilding for the future.

The Green Wave was struck with the misfortune of three starting seniors with injuries. Senior sweeper Taylor Darmetko suffered a torn ACL during the previous basketball season, senior forward Lauren Marella fractured her back during the second game of the season, and senior goalie Allison Griggs suffered a concussion and banged up arm and was out for a few weeks.

At this point, the underclassmen were brought in in replacement roles. Freshmen Mackenzie Gillis and Sammi Zina both stepped up and did a phenomenal job.

The Green Wave girls' record does not indicate the amount of hard work and determination that each and every player has put into this season. The team has a lot of heart, and they play their hardest every game. They never give up.





# Football



The Abington Greenwave football team enjoyed another successful year. The team finished with a 10-1 mark, earning a 5th straight South Shore League title.



In the 99th Thanksgiving Day game the Greenwave beat Whitman-Hanson 20-0 capping a 4-0 record for the seniors on Thanksgiving. The team was led by captains Rob Cornish, Ian Campbell, Andrew Crosta and Kristian LaPointe. The senior class also included, Jack Feeney, Dan Weems, John Costa, Billy Caseley, Nick Malafronte, Kyle Linehan, Pat Kustka, Shawn McCue, Rich Curtin, and Ben Johnson. These seniors combined for a career record of 42-2 including never losing a game at home.



The team plans their next play.

Top row: Damien Wilson, Christian Barrett & Pat Zadrozny  
 Second row: Angelo Tempesta, Connor Fraser, Zack Littman, Paul Noble, Christos Koci, Justin Canada, Gary Foster & John Gauthier  
 Third row: Tim O'Connor, Jake Concannon, Jake Weems, Jack Malafronte, Cejay Suarez, Ryan Southerland & Jimmy Cunningham  
 Fourth row: Coach Kelliher, Billy Caseley, Pat Kustka, John Costa, Alex Morris, Dylan Pietrasik, John Lane, Jon McElroy & Jon Doucette  
 Bottom row: Shawn McCue, Dan Weems, Jack Feeney, Ben Johnson, Rob Cornish, Andrew Crosta, Kristian LaPointe, Ian Campbell & Nick Malafronte





Senior Captains Rob Cornish, Andrew Crosta, Kristian LaPointe, & Ian Campbell



## SCOREBOARD

Hanover	12-0	W
Arlington Catholic	14-7	W
Rockland	42-28	W
Carver	29-15	W
East Bridgewater	27-6	W
Hingham	35-16	W
Hull (Homecoming)	21-7	W
Norwell	35-7	W
Cohasset	14-0	L
Mashpee	35-12	W
Whitman Hanson	20-0	W



# scores





Coach Trisha with senior captains Jen Esau, Kim Cutter & Deanna Moore

At all the football games you could be sure that the Abington High School Cheerleaders would be there to support their team. Not only did they do a great job cheering at the games, they also did great in their competitions. At Invationals they won first place at Braintree and got second at Spooktacular. They then proceeded to win first and tie for grand champs at Leagues, and won SSL League Champs.

In division four at Regionals they placed second which earned them a spot in States. Here, they got second place and were eligible to go to Nationals in March. The seniors in the squad are Lauren DiFazio, Alessandra Fisher, and captains Deanna Moore, Jen Esau, and Kim Cutter. All this would not have been possible without their coach Trisha Hitchcock.



The AHS cheerleaders show their enthusiastic support for the football team



Lauren DiFazio, Taylor Ward, & Pam Woods get the crowd rowdy at half-time



Ashlee Ezzi being lifted by teammates



Pam Woods performing at half-time during a football game



# Cheerleading



Top Row: Noelle DeGrenier, Sam Dowd, Stephanie Colitti, Ashlee Ezzell & Amanda Lane. Middle Row: Taylor Ward, Molly Kelley, Amber Dickenson, Pam Woods, Michaila LeSage & Lauren Rogers.  
Front Row: Lauren DiFazio, Jen Esau, Kim Cutter, Deanna Moore & Al Fisher.



Amanda Lane waits to start the half-time routine



Lauren DiFazio, Jen Esau, Kim Cutter,  
Deanna Moore & Al Fisher



Senior Deanna Moore is spotted by her teammates





Girls Cross Country Captains:  
Erin O'Brien & Meaghan Hurley.

Both the boys and girls Cross Country teams enjoyed many successes this year. The Cross Country coaches season were Mr. Duggan and Ms. Bulman. The captains of the girls' Cross Country team were Erin O'Brien and Meaghan Hurley. The captains of the boys' team were Mike Mulligan and John McKeon. Seniors on the team were Erin O'Brien, Jenn Ngo, Mike Mulligan, James McDonald, and Steve McGrail.

The girls' team record was 3-3 for the South Shore League and 3-6 overall. The record of the boys' Cross Country team was 4-2 for the South Shore League and 5-4 overall. Sophomore Liz Morgan and Junior John McKeon were named League All-Stars. All runners had strong individual seasons with many personal accomplishments.



Boys Cross Country Captains:  
Mike Mulligan & John McKeon



Juniors Marissa Lalli & Julie Bacon running towards the finish line



Junior Sarah Duchaney & Sophomore Donna Creighton run side-by-side and complete the race

# GIRLS



Seniors Erin O'Brien and Jenn Ngo



Girls Cross Country Team:  
(top row): Meaghan Hurley, Sarah Duchaney, Alyah Gillens, Marissa Lalli, Liz Morgan, Sarah Rangel, Haylee Rogers & Jenn Ngo.,  
(bottom row): Kristen Lee, Julie Bacon, Emily Atkinson, & Donna Creighton.



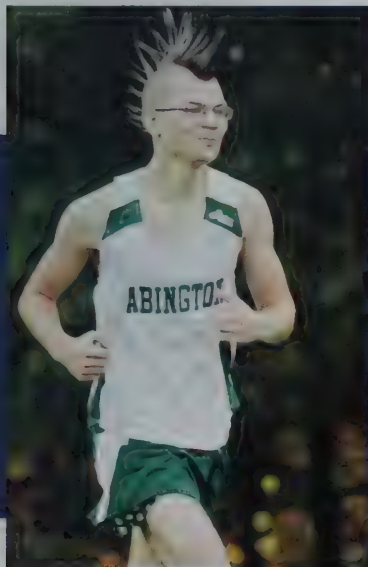
Member of the  
Varsity Boys Cross  
Country team  
compete in their  
race

# Cross Country

## BOYS



The boys varsity race begins



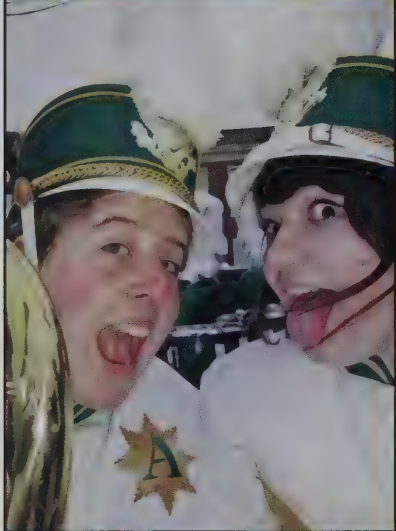
The Senior Cross Country boys: Jimmy McDonald, Mike Mulligan, & Steven McGrail (also at left)

(above left) Senior Captain Mike Mulligan is a few steps ahead of the competition, while junior John McKeon (above) and senior Jimmy McDonald (below) give it their all.





# Marching Band



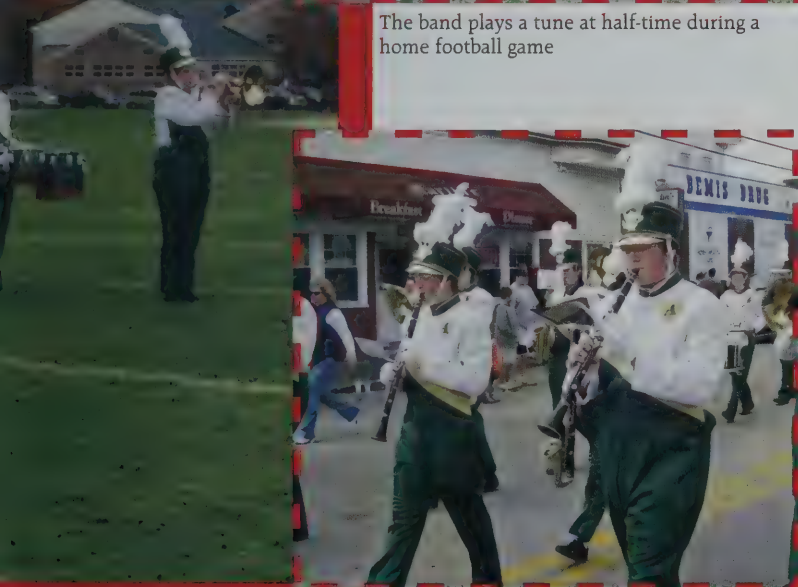




Seniors:  
Evan Baxter,  
Lizz Griffin,  
Bobby Gentile,  
& James Rota



The band plays a tune at half-time during a home football game



The band also marches in local parades



The 2009 Abington High School marching band had a fun show this past season under the direction of Mr. Charlie Blanchette, with the leadership of drum major Jazmin Gauvain and senior section leaders James Rota, Lizz Griffin, Evan Baxter, and Bobby Gentile. This year's show consisted of Soul Man, Green Onions, and The Horse. Previous shows include the gold medal-winning compilation of '60s funk songs in 2008, music from Greece in 2007, and the Mask of Zorro in 2006. The four seniors have enjoyed competitions, festivals, parades, pep rallies, cheering on the football team at home games, and most importantly, bringing fun music to the lives of the Abington community.





# GIRLS Basketball



Nora O'Neil, Amanda Hawkesworth, Kristen Reynolds, Brittany Ezzell, Allison Griggs, Katie Cawley, Coach Moore,  
Lauren Marella, Steph Cornish, Haylee Rogers, Amy Hackett, Katrina Martin,  
Emily Lyons, Bridget Wakelin, Taylor Darmetko, Melissa DeCarli





Seniors: Emily Lyons, Kristen Reynolds, Allison Griggs  
Lauren Marella, Taylor Darmetko, Nora the Penguin, Melissa DeCarli



Senior Lauren Marella plays excellent defense



Senior Taylor Darmetko drives to the hoop



This year, the Lady Wave basketball team had another successful season. The team qualified for the MIAA state tournament for the fourth time in four years. The team was led by senior captains Lauren Marella and Allison Griggs. The other senior members on the team were Taylor Darmetko, Melissa DeCarli, Kristen Reynolds, and Emily Lyons. The six seniors have all played basketball together for the Lady Wave since their freshmen year. They have worked hard to lead the team to great success over the past four years.



Senior Captains:  
Lauren Marella & Allison Griggs





The AHS boys' basketball team, under first year head coach Chris Beatrice, had a successful season led by captains and 1,000 point scorers Ryan Chambers and Kristian LaPointe. Seniors Rob Cornish, Greg Cronin and Sean Lawton dominated the boards while Corey Donlan consistently added an extra spark. Fellow seniors Billy Caseley and Shane Doyle also contributed to the team's success. The boys won the school's first ever back-to-back South Shore League championship titles and finished with a record of 21-4.

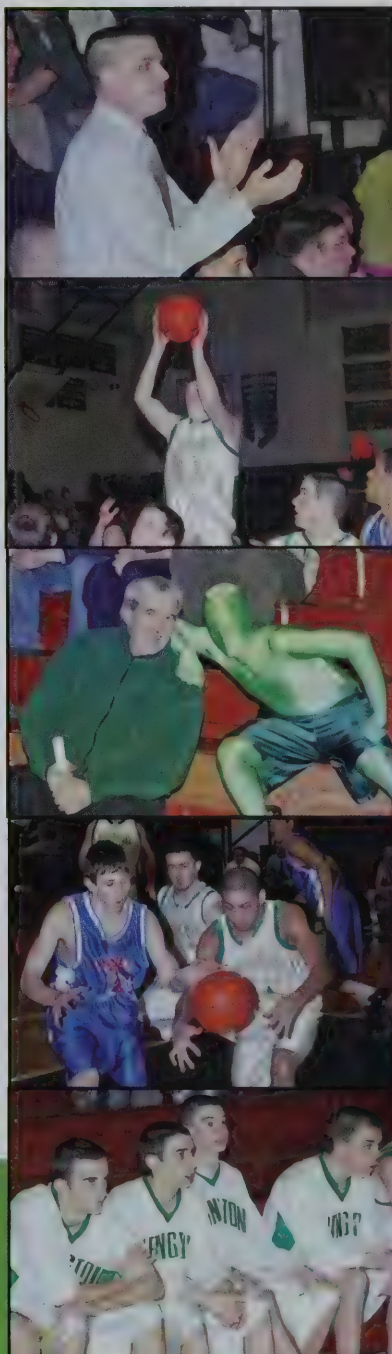


Senior members:

Top: Corey Donlan, Rob Cornish, Greg Cronin, Sean Lawton, Billy Caseley  
Bottom: Ryan Chambers, Kristian LaPointe, & Shane Doyle



The boys getting pumped up before the start of the game

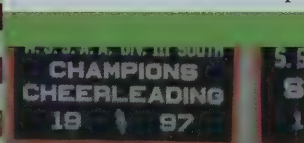




# BOYS Basketball



Senior captains Ryan Chambers & Kristian LaPointe contributed to a fantastic season for the Greenwave: both breaking the 1,000 point mark for their high school careers



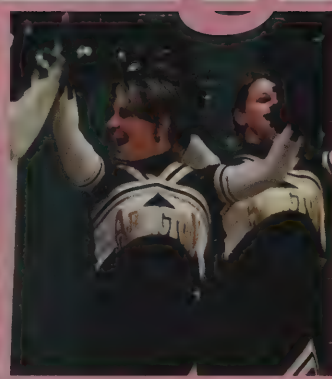
Seniors Greg Cronin (above) and Rob Cornish (below) are high-fived by their teammates prior to the game



Top: Coach Swine, Coach Beatrice, Jeff Delaney, Bob Corallo, Greg Cronin, Sean Lavigne, Billy Gaudet, Damien Williams, Coach Smith, Coach Madden  
Bottom: Nick Campbell, Carey Dimian, Ryan Chambers, Kristian LaPointe, Shane Doyle, & Dylan Pietrowski

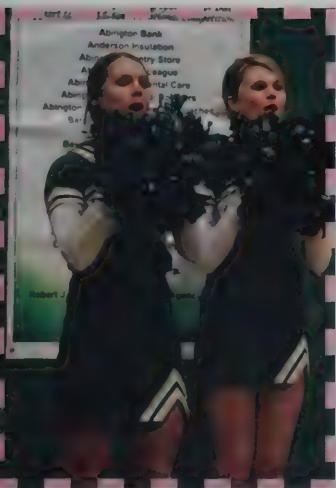


# WINTER Cheerleading

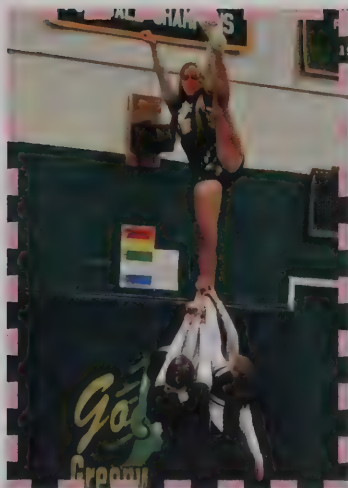


Abigail Lopez, Lauren Moore, Chloe Wood, Taylor Fin Elmore, Amanda Lane, Alyssa Johnson, Stephanie O'Brien, Rose Swisher, Emily Elliott, Kayla O'Neil, Taylor Salomon, Deborah Kasper, Kim Carter, Jani Kline, Lauren Dufosse, PJ Fisher  
 & THANK YOU TO THE GREEN WAVE





Jen Esau & Lauren Rogers



Deanna Moore  
at the top of the pyramid

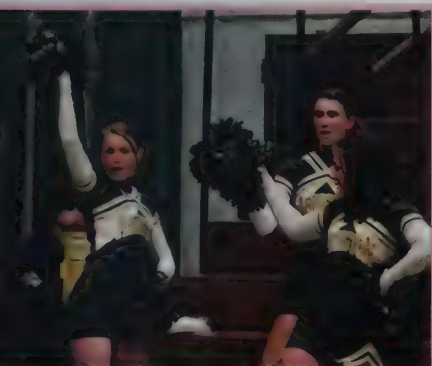


It was another winning season for the girls in green. The AHS winter cheerleaders placed 2nd in the league, 1st in the region, and 2nd in the state. Although they were faced with some difficulties, they still had an amazing season. Led by captains Jen Esau, Kim Cutter, Deanna Moore, and their coach Trisha Hitchcock, this has been the best year AHS has ever had for cheerleading. All the girls have formed a very strong bond with each other. Their most significant accomplishment was going to Florida for a national competition in March.



The Senior Girls:  
Jackie Solomon, Deanna Moore, Kim Cutter,  
Jen Esau, Lauren DiFazio, & Al Fisher

Kim Cutter & Al Fisher cheering on the  
basketball team



Molly Kelley is caught by her  
teammates



Senior Captains:  
Deanna Moore, Kim Cutter, & Jen Esau





EAB offense makes a move for the goal

The Abington-East Bridgewater hockey team made the tournament for the second straight year in the 2009-2010 season. Led by senior captains Nick Marella (Abington), Dan Rogers (Abington), Shane Fabroski (East Bridgewater), and Chris Brandon (East Bridgewater), the team finished out the season with a record of 11-8-2.

The team had a four game winning streak, with the high point being an 8-1 win versus Cohasset. Other senior members included Brett Slonina, Kyle Linehan, Olivia Perrone, Nick Malafronte, Andrew Thomson, and TJ Rogers from Abington, and Joe Dwyer from East Bridgewater. Head coach Tim Hill helped the Vikings to achieve such a successful season.



Captains Chris Brandon, Dan Rogers, Nick Marella, & Shane Fabroski





# Hockey



Seniors: Andrew Thomson, Chris Brandon, Shane Fabroski, Nick Marella, Dan Rogers, Nick Malafronte, Brett Slonina  
Not Pictured: T.J. Rogers & Olivia Perrone



An EAB player makes a break for the puck



EAB teammates embrace on the ice after a great play

Top: Coach Brian Smith, Brett DeBenedictis, Barry Cashman, Chris Brandon, Shane Fabroski, Nick Marella, Dan Rogers, Coach Tom Rogers, Nick Malafronte, Andrew Thomson, Kevin Quinlan, Mason Sloan, Coach Tim Hill  
Middle: Pat Dempsey, Eddie Cardinal, Dylan Voss, Andrew Dion, Brendan Gareri, T.J. Antonetti, Shayne Troup, Dan Collins  
Bottom: Brett Slonina





# Track

## BOYS



Top: Greg McDonnell, John McKeon, Matt Imrie, Babila Fonkem, Jimmy McDonald, Dan Weems, Mike Mulligan, Billy Caseley, John Tomlin, Steve McGrail, Jon McElory, Dan Curtin  
 Bottom: Ed Neary, Mike Doyle, Justin Razzeta, Kevin Bunszell, Alex Morris, John Lane, Dylan Pietrasik, Paul Noble, Conor Donovan, Nathan Lopes, Phil Nguyen

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Jimmy McDonald  
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*Captains:*  
 Mike Mulligan  
 Dan Weems  
 Billy Caseley



# GIRLS



Kristen Lee, Megan Sideropoulos, Amanda Hawkesworth, Sam Rangel, Alyha Gillens, Marissa Lalli, Amanda Lane, Emily Atkinson, Jessica Gosslin  
Regina Broomstein, Trisha Campbell, Nicole D'Attilio, Lauren Landers, Rachel Casey, Amy Hackett  
Hannah Russell, Melissa DeCarli, Jess Marini, Lauren Marella, Sarah Atkinson, Jenn Ngo

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Lauren Marella  
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# BOYS



Nick Malafronte, Rob Chiodi, Cody Kilduff, Jackson McNulty, Ms. Murphy  
James Howell, Evan Parsons, Zack Hoitt, Robert Morris



Nick Malafronte  
Rob Chiodi

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Ms. Murphy

*Captains:*  
Nick Malafronte  
Rob Chiodi



# Tennis

## GIRLS



Top: Coach Mace, Meaghan Hurley, Liz Kalajian, Taylor Darmetko, Christine McHugh, Katelyn Capone, Ashleigh Bell, Kelly Neilan, Meredith Cellini, Coach Prizio  
Bottom: Diana Griggs, Emily Lyons, Bridget Wakelin

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Taylor Darmetko  
Emily Lyons

### *Coaches:*

Mr. Prizio  
Mr. Mace

### *Captains:*

Emily Lyons  
Diana Griggs  
Bridget Wakelin



# Lacrosse

## BOYS



Top: Mason Sloan, Tom Foulds, Ryan Southerland, Barry Cashman, Sean Lawton, Pat Kustka, Tim DeGrasse, Seaver Dunn, Ben Pignone, Ben Rangel, Steve Littlefield, Pat Zadrozny, Ryan Foster  
 Joe Buckley, Bobby Derbes, Darrien Gusfason Dan FitzGerald, Jake Concannon, Tyler Adams, Christian Barrett, Jake Weems, Andrew Thomson, Jack Feeney, David Manzo

*Coach:*  
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*Captains:*  
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 Dan FitzGerald

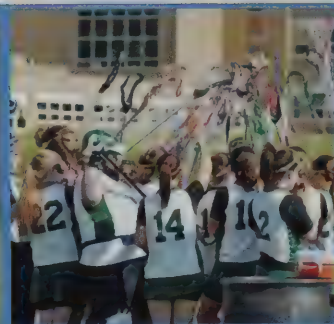
Sean Lawton  
 Andrew Thomson  
 Jack Feeney  
 Pat Kustka



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# GIRLS



Top: Ms. Doherty, Caitlin Connors, Olivia Perrone, Kayla Carpenter, Jen Manning, Sarah Duchaney, Brianna Fay, Liz Gould, Vicky Howe, Brittany Whalen  
 Middle: Katie Cawley, Erin Connors, Rachel Bonvie, Christine Harvey, Carolyn Creighton, Taylor Ward, Erin O'Brien, Sam Dowd  
 Bottom: Katie Kirkpatrick, Tia Heney, Ashley Griggs, Kayla DiMarzio, Caitlin McNamara, Donna Creighton

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Erin O'Brien  
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*Coach:*  
 Ms. Doherty

*Captains:*  
 Carolyn Creighton  
 Christine Harvey  
 Erin O'Brien





# Baseball



Top: Cejay Suarez, Zach Littman, Conor Fraser, Andrew Crosta, Nick Marella, Kevin Quinlan, Kevin LeBlanc, Ben Johnson, Kyle Linehan, Ricky Thetonia, Andrew Dion, Coach Perakslis.  
Bottom: Ian Campbell, Kristian LaPointe, Matt Lebossiere & Adam Bentley.

Ian Campbell  
Kristian LaPointe  
Nick Marella  
Andrew Crosta  
Kevin LeBlanc  
Ben Johnson  
Kyle Linehan



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*Coach:*  
Mr. Perakslis

*Captains:*  
Ian Campbell  
Andrew Crosta  
Kristian LaPointe



# Softball



Hayley Gomes, Kaylah Connor, Kelly Norton, Brittany Ezzell, Jill Feeney, Steph Cornish, Steph Chiochio, Alicia Reid, Megan Hickey, Liz Morgan, Nora O'Neil, Kristen Reynolds.

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Kaylah Connor  
Kristen Reynolds

*Coach:*  
Mr. DeSullivan

*Captain:*  
Kristen Reynolds



# Ultimate Frisbee



Corey Donlan, Mike Crawford, Matt Diver, Mr. Scott, Rob Cornish, Greg Cronin, Mark Doneghey, Ryan Chambers, Joe Phan, Mark Gambon, Connor Sumner, John LeBlanc, Jared Sumner, Jack Cashman, Jon Doucette, Brad Arena, Christos Koci, Billy Taylor

Top: Ryan Chambers  
 Rob Cornish  
 Mark Doneghey  
 Brad Arena  
 Billy Taylor  
 Bottom: Corey Donlan  
 Greg Cronin  
 Not pictured:  
 Joe Lawrence  
 A.J. Conway



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*Coach:*

Mr. Scott

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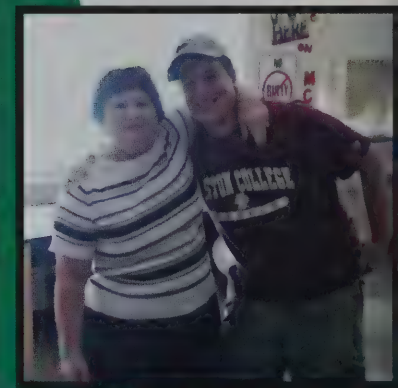
Corey Donlan

Greg Cronin















# Parent Dedications



**Congratulations  
Lauren!**

*Where have the years gone? You have made us so proud. You are a beautiful daughter and sister. Continue to work hard and follow your dreams. Enjoy all of what life has to offer.*

*We love you,  
Mom, Dad, Jillian, & Nicole*



**Taylor Chirokas**

*We hope your dreams lead to the corner of your smiles, to the highest of your hopes, and to the most special places your heart has even known. Remember, value is what lies within you. Congrats!*

*Love,  
Mom, Dad, & Brandon*

**Lindsey,**  
Aim for the stars  
& always do your  
best. You will  
always make us  
proud.

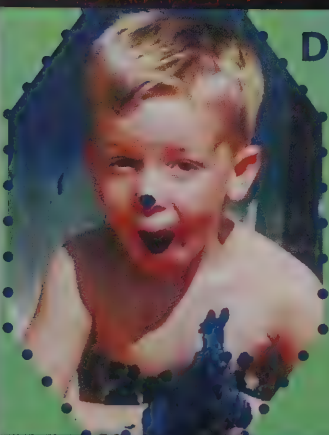
*Love, Mom, Dad, A.J.,  
Lissa, & Riley*



**Shawn McCue**

**You did it!  
Your family is  
very proud!**

*Love,  
Mom & Linds*



**Daniel Weems**

*What to others would be insurmountable you have faced head on and conquered. I am so proud to call you my son.*

*Love,  
Mom*



**Good luck  
Kristen!**

*Love,  
Mom, Dad,  
Conor, Patrick,  
& Otis*



**CONGRATULATIONS TO  
EMILY, ERIN, KRISTEN,  
MELISSA, TAYLOR AND  
THE AHS CLASS OF 2010.**

*Love, Chris*



**To Patrick-**

We wish you all the  
best for your next  
adventure. We know  
you will be successful  
in all that you do.  
We love you!

Mom & Dad

**Andrew Crosta**

We are so proud of all that you  
have accomplished on and off  
the field at AHS and we look  
forward to whatever your next  
chapter brings. Remember to  
work hard, have great times,  
make great friends and keep  
lighting up the room with that  
smile.

We Love You  
Mom, Dad, Matt & Kaitlin



**Congratulations  
Emily**

We are so proud of you.  
Our only problem is  
you're growing up too  
fast. Get ready for the  
next chapter of your  
life, we know you will  
be fine.

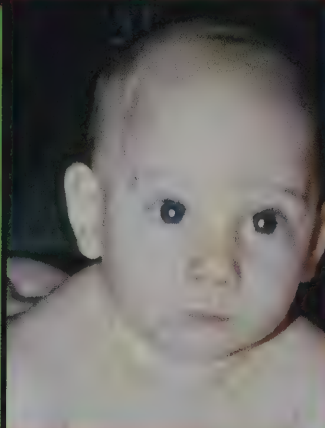
Love, Mom & Dad



*Dearest Abbey,*

Thank you for  
bringing such joy to  
us. We are so  
proud of you.  
Enjoy every  
adventure at Pace!  
The world is yours!

Loving you,  
Mom & Robbie



**Matt DiCarli**

We're proud  
of your  
successes.

Love,  
Mom, Peter, & Bella

**Mikayla Giannini**

**Congratulations,  
Baby Girl.  
I'm very proud  
of you!!!**

**Olivia,**

You have always lived  
with so much joy!  
Stay true to yourself  
always. As Eleanor  
Roosevelt once said,  
"The future belongs to  
those who believe in  
the beauty of their  
dreams."

Love  
Mom, Dad, Meg, & Tess







**Melissa,**

*We are extremely proud of the beautiful young woman you have become. We have faith in your future success. Remember we are always there for you. Be true to yourself and make good decisions.*

*Love,  
Mom & Dad*

**Congratulations  
Nicholas!**

*We are very  
proud of you.*

**Love,  
Mom & Dad**



**Billy,**

*We are so very proud of you.  
Follow your dreams and you will  
succeed.*

*Love,  
Mom & Dad*



**Brittany,**

*You make us  
all so, so  
proud! We  
love you!*

*Love always,  
Mom, Dad,  
Mackenzie, &  
Brendon*



**Dear Christine,**

*Congratulations! As you begin this next chapter in your life, remember what Emerson aptly said: "What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us." We are so proud of you!*

*Love,  
Mom, Dad, Laura, & Catherine*

**John,**

*Congratulations!  
We're so proud of  
you. Good luck on  
all your future  
endeavors.*

*Love, Mom, Dad,  
Jen, & Jackie*



**Kevin LeBlanc**

*"Life is what you  
make of it, always has  
been, always will be."  
Accept responsibility,  
continue your  
education, but most of  
all keep that smile  
and your great sense  
of humor.*



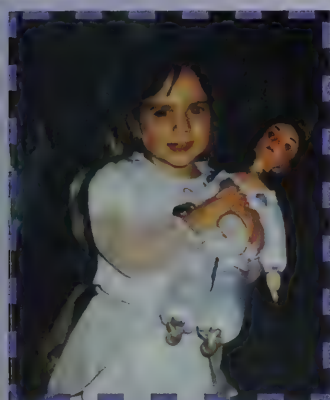
**Allison,**

*Graduation is not  
the end; it is the  
beginning...go  
out and do  
something  
remarkable!*

*Love,  
Mom, Dad,  
Ashley, & Katie*







**Lauren,**  
We are so proud of  
you. May your  
future be filled with  
success and  
happiness.  
Follow your  
dreams!  
*Love,*  
*Mom, Taylor, & Callie*



**TJ-**  
Wow, how time flies!  
Best wishes in your  
journey into adulthood.  
We are so proud of you!  
Follow your dreams,  
shoot for the moon.  
Even if you miss you'll  
land among the stars.  
*Love,*  
*Mom, Dad, Chris,*  
*Kyle, Abby, & Sophie*

## Ryan-Congratulations

We are so proud of you  
and are blessed to have  
such a wonderful son.

We know you will  
succeed in whatever  
you do and we wish  
you lots of luck in  
college and the future!

With lots of love,  
Mom & Paul XOXO



**Tay,**  
We've been so proud of  
all your hard work  
and accomplishments  
over the last four years  
and know you'll do  
well wherever your  
heart takes you. Love  
you lots!

Dad, Mom, & Craig



## Cory, Congratulations!

You've been  
through a lot but  
you still worked  
hard. We are so  
proud of you and  
we know you will  
have a bright future.

*Love,*  
*Mom, Dad, & Kellie*



**Jillian,**  
We are proud of all  
your accomplishments.  
You are the best.  
Good luck to Lauren,  
TJ, and all of your  
friends.

*Love,*  
*Daddy, Mom,*  
*& K-ten*



## Congratulations Amanda,

You have made  
us so proud!  
Remember, ladies  
wake up and  
become  
whatever they  
want to be!

*Love, Mom & Dad*

## Ben,

**We are very  
proud of  
you!**

**Love you!**

**Dad, Mom,  
& Noah**





**Sarah,**

Where have the years gone? Our baby girl is all grown up. We are very proud of you. We love you and wish you the best.



**Bobby,**

You have made us really proud. Keep up the great work. Good luck in school.

*Love, Ma, Dad, & Kaitlyn*



**Meredith Brown**

Congratulations Honey, I am so proud of you.

*Love,  
Dad*



You have always made me so proud and I know you will continue to do so as you go through college and your adult life. I love you.

*-Mom*



**Tabitha Deree**

You did it!!! You're a wonderful, loving and caring person. It's a privilege to know you and to have you in our lives. GREAT JOB. Papa would be so proud. He's smiling down on you saying GREAT JOB.

*Love from everyone  
in the family*

**Congratulations Dan!**



**Love  
You,**

*Dad & Mom*

**Nick,**

We hope you find happiness in whatever you choose in life. We are proud of you. Always remember, family first.

*Love,  
Mom, Dad,  
Jack, & Sam*



**Rachel,**

We are very proud of you. Good luck in college!

*Love,  
Mom, Dad,  
& Jerard*







*Kristian,*

Congratulations on  
a job well done.  
Best of luck at  
Williams next year.  
Love from all,

Mom, Dad,  
Tess, Kacie, Shawna, Marcus,  
Sarah, Josh, Lauren, Josh Jr.,  
Cal, Renee, Rob, Cecilia, Ellie,  
Max, Cole, Glenn. Jr.,  
Malissa, Aric, Alexis, Autumn,  
Glenn III, and Paul

*Carolyn,*

Congratulations!

We are very  
proud of you!

Love,  
Mom, Dad,  
Julie, & Donna



*To Melissa -*

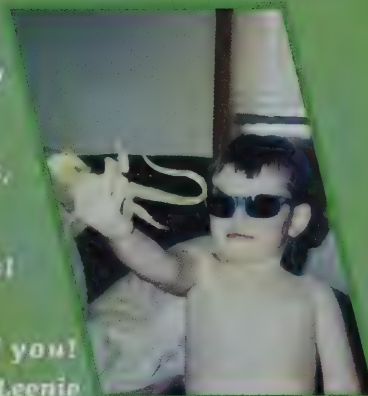
We hope all your dreams  
come true in college and that  
you can always find your  
way back home. We are  
very proud of all your  
accomplishments and  
successes in school. We know  
you will do great things.

Love, Mom, Dad,  
Meghan, & Michael

*Jack,*

you will face many  
obstacles in  
your life.  
When that happens,  
just kick it into  
high gear and  
drive through them!

We're very proud of you!  
Love, Mom, Dad, & Leenie



**Joe Lawrence**

*Best of Luck Joe.*

Love,  
Mom, Dad,  
& Julie



**Congratulations**

**Joe.**

Love,  
Grammy & Grampy  
Whalen

*We'll never forget these faces!*

*Will you remember their names . . . ?*





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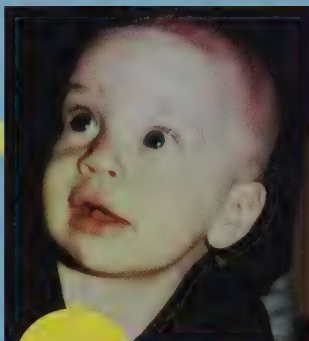
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# Who's That Baby?

Can you recognize these familiar faces from the class of 2010?



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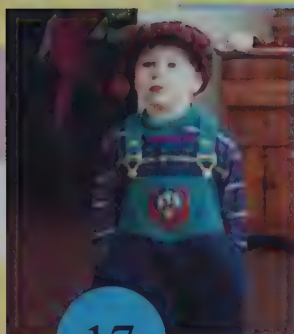
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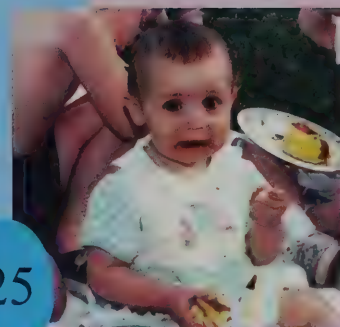
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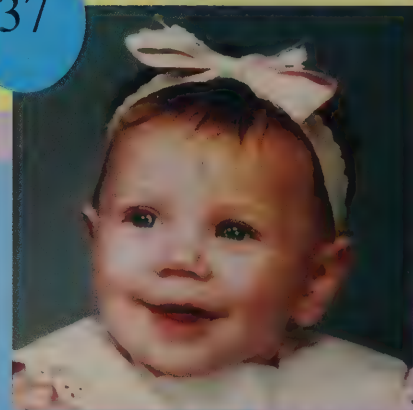
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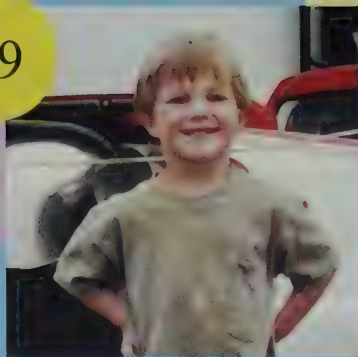




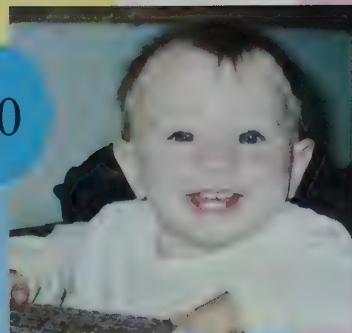


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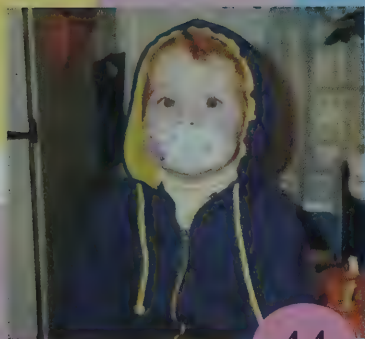
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# Class Will

I, Corey Donlan,  
leave the front seat of the  
GWP van,  
to Ben Pignone.

I, Bobby Gentile,  
leave "Fat Bastard" (the  
name of the school's tenor  
sax)  
to whomever tries to tame  
him next.

I, Jennifer Ngo,  
leave an extra pair of track  
shorts for "you know who",  
to Donna Creighton and Eric  
Magnussen.

I, Rachel Bonvie,  
leave the legacy of "the  
megaphone"  
to Marissa Coe.

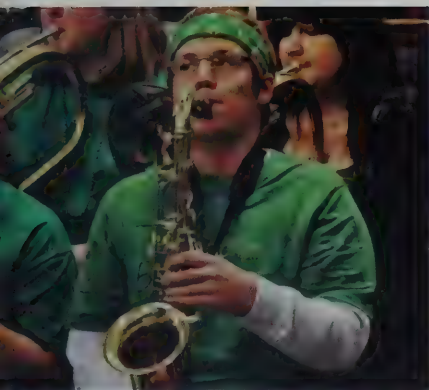
I, Gregory Cronin,  
leave my height and soccer  
snap pants  
to Jared Sumner.

I, Kristen Reynolds,  
leave nothing,  
to Bridget Wakelin.

I, Leah Dalrymple,  
leave the legacy of super  
bleached blonde hair,  
to Stephanie Fleming.

I, Taylor Darmetko,  
leave my invisible cloak  
and maurador's map,  
to Bridget Wakelin.





I, Lauren Marella,  
leave The Abington Girls  
Soccer Team  
to Mackenzie Gillis and  
Sammi Zina.

I, Ian Campbell,  
leave the future of Green  
Wave Pride Football,  
to Brandon Cawley.

I, Tabby Deree,  
leave my ability to get up in  
the morning for school and  
get good grades,  
to Tim Miggins.

I, Brad Arena,  
leave the position of being  
the best business student,  
to Jared Sumner.

We, Taylor Darmetko and  
Melissa Decarli,  
leave the country of Chad in  
World Cup,  
to Katie Cawley.

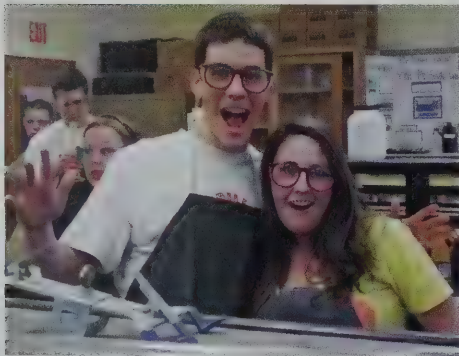
I, Kelly Mitchell,  
leave Friendly's dippin'  
chicken,  
to Erin Nagle and Kayla  
DiMarzio.

We, Caroline Provost and  
Sarah Atkinson,  
leave our lockers,  
to the rats.

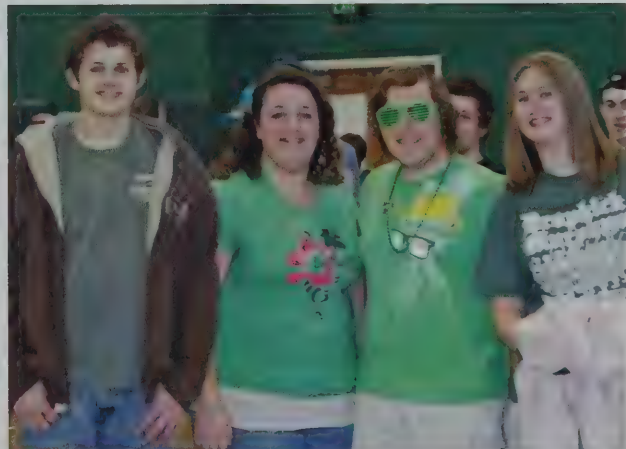
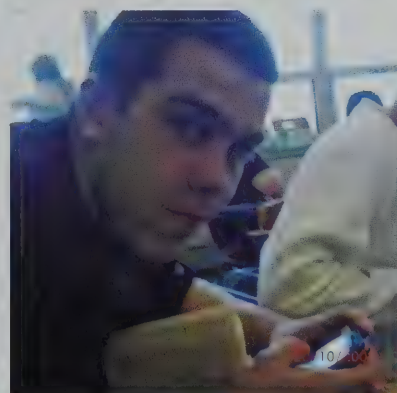
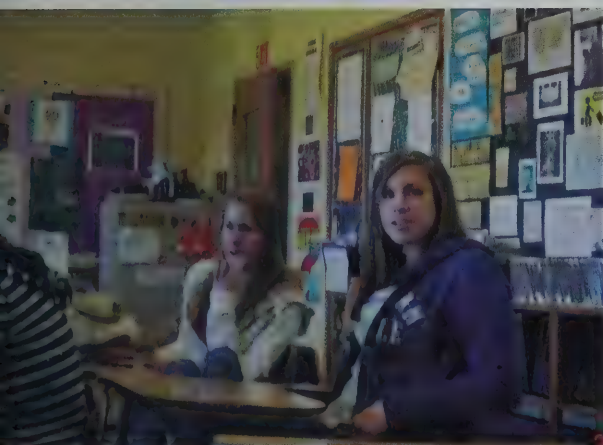
I, Nick Malafronte,  
leave my GWP wig  
to Jack Malafronte,  
a box of blow pops  
to Brandon Cawley,  
and a new thought pot  
to Ms. McHugh.



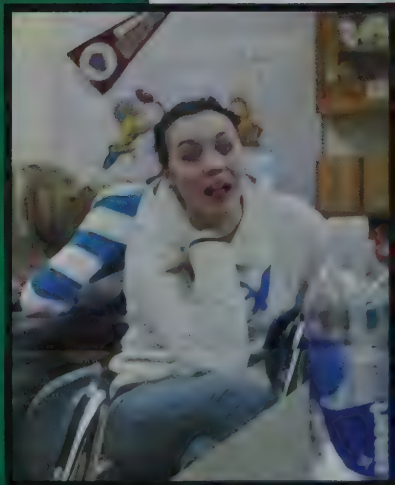
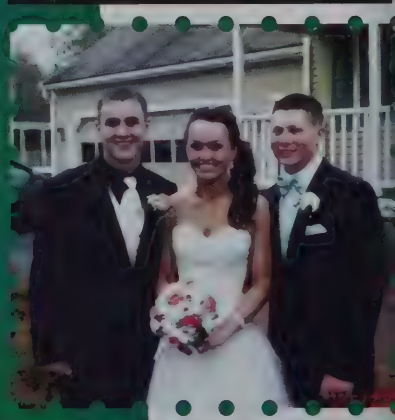
# A DAY IN THE LIFE of an *AHS Student*



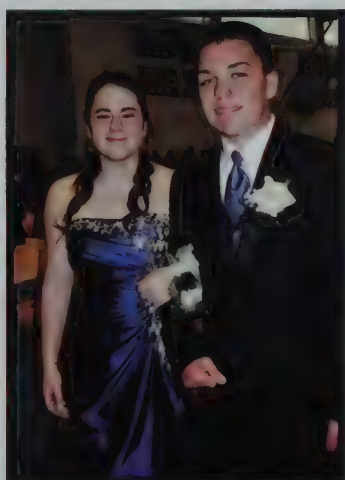




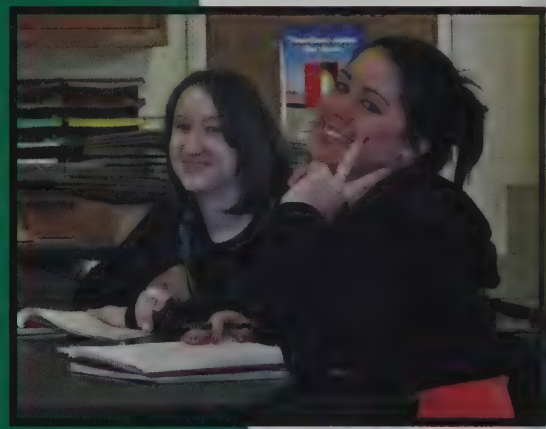




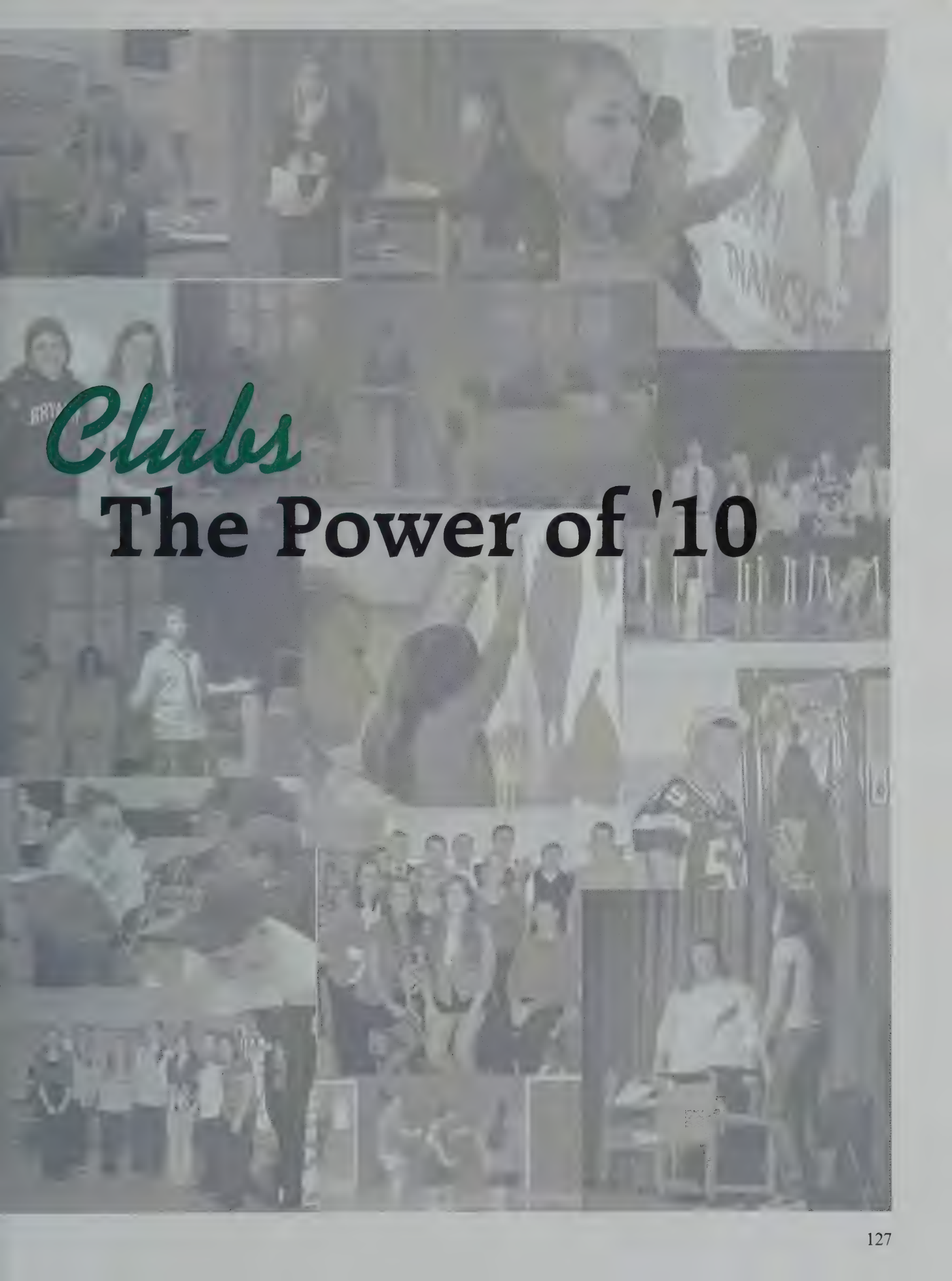












# *Clubs*

## **The Power of '10**



# Friends of Rachel



Mr. Lanner, Jazmin Gauvain, Evan Parsons, Erin Nagle, Lori DePaolo, Asia McGovern, Liz Wynn, Ms. Crowley  
Julie Johnson, Sarah Spencer, Catherine DeQuinzio

The Friends of Rachel club was started at AHS during the 2008-2009 school year. The club is named after Rachel Scott, who was killed during the Columbine school massacre in 1999. The goal of members is to "start a chain reaction" of kindness around the school to prevent bullying. Advisors Mr. Lanner and Ms. Crowley have created a drawing each week which acknowledges a "chain-reaction winner" for their random act of kindness. The club has fostered a greater sense of comfort and generosity within the AHS community.

## Officers



Liz Wynn & Catherine DeQuinzio



# Yearbook

The yearbook team worked each day during 7th period to produce a yearbook well-fit for the AHS class of 2010. Editor Melissa Donaher worked to organize and design pages, while also writing about many of the clubs, activities, and events that have been featured in this book. Editor Rachel Bonvie became a photography-pro and earned the nickname "the enforcer" for her no nonsense attitude when tracking down and dealing with fellow classmates. With the fabulous guidance of Advisor Ms. Chiasson and the assistance of many members of the senior class, the yearbook team has created a finished product for all seniors to enjoy.



Melissa Donaher, Abby Hass, Jess Meurch  
Rachel Bonvie, Nick Malafronte, Brenda Gleason



Melissa and Rachel  
hard at work in 313  
to finish up some  
pages



## Editors



Melissa Donaher & Rachel Bonvie



# Drama



The entire cast of Seussical the Musical.

The AHS drama program was outstanding this year. Both productions were incredibly successful as well as enjoyable experiences. The fall production of "An Evening of Short Plays" allowed actors to show the audience their many faces and talent in just one night. "Seussical the Musical"

was an unforgettable show from start to finish, with special contributions from cast and crew. The drama program's brilliant directors, Mr. Shannon and Ms. Chiasson, always stress that drama is a team sport. The seniors in the program were not only gifted in the theatre arts, but they were all great role models and team players. Thank you so much for all of your hard work! Drama would not have been the same without you: Evan Baxter, Greg Cronin, Nicole D'Attilio, Lizz Griffin, Nick Malafronte, Jessica Meurch, Jenn Ngo, Melissa Peters, Olivia Perrone, Amanda "Mandi" Russell, Caroline Smith and Kirsten Utterson.

## Directors



Ms. Chiasson & Mr. Shannon



# History of Plays

2006-2007

Shakespeare &  
Once Upon a Mattress

2007-2008

Little Women &  
Bye Bye Birdie

2008-2009

A Patchwork of Short Plays  
& Footloose

2009-2010

An Evening of Short Plays  
& Seussical



John Lynch and Caroline Smith starred in Footloose as Ren and Ariel

Greg Cronin & Evan Baxter in one of the short plays



The entire cast of Footloose performs in one of the pivotal ending scenes



Greg Cronin wowed audiences with his breakout singing and acting skills as Reverend Moore in Footloose



The cast of Footloose performs the title song and dance



Evan Baxter, Jessica Golden, Julie Bacon, Amanda Russell, Alex Narcotta, & Katie Beckvold in a scene from an Evening of Short Plays



Caroline Smith, Amanda Russell, & Liz Kalajian star in one of the short plays in 2009



# Class Officers

*President*



Steve McGrail

*Vice President*



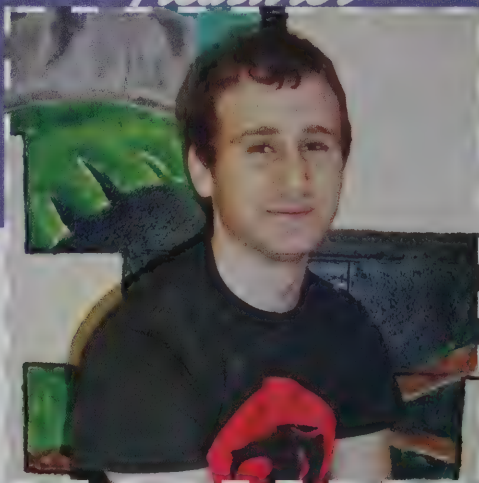
Deanna Moore

*Secretary*



Taylor Darmetko

*Treasurer*



Rob Chiodi

Over the past four years, the class of 2010 has had a few different class officers and advisors. However, throughout the years, the varying class officers have worked with the Homeroom Representatives to plan and organize important class events, like the Junior Prom, Senior Reception, Junior Class Auction, car washes, and bake sales. Mr. Crain, who has been the class advisor since junior year, has worked hard to make class meetings fun and productive. The officers have also made an effort to make class events exciting and unique, just like the Class of 2010 itself.

*Class Advisor*



Mr. Crain



# Student Council



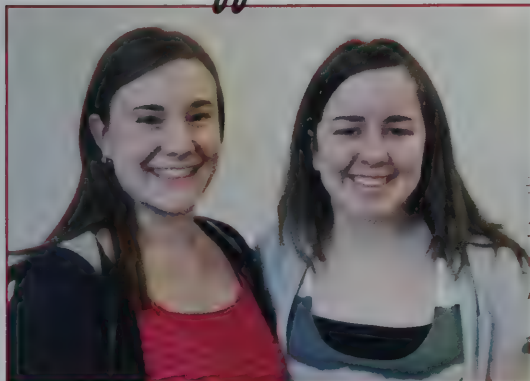
Top: Michael Tornado,  
Ashleigh Bell  
Carolyn Creighton  
Megan McHugh  
Emily Welch  
Christine Harvey  
Melissa Donaher  
Alex Tornado  
Julia Kelley  
Bottom: Kristen Lee  
Erin O'Brien  
Michelle Boyd  
Donna Creighton  
Greg Corbett  
Not pictured: Julie Bacon  
Nick Grimard  
Derek Hill  
Christine McHugh

In the 2009-2010 school year, the AHS Student Council continued its ongoing efforts to improve the school and town community. The Council is made up of five members from each grade level who meet every Wednesday after school. Led by Advisor Ms. Kinsman, the Student Council has been involved in many projects around the school, including a Chicken Bowl Fundraiser and the biannual Red Cross Blood Drive. This year, in the face of the town budget crisis, members also brainstormed money-saving tactics and even wrote and presented a new AHS Sports Philosophy to the School Council. In the years to come, the Student Council will continue to spread its influence and positively impact the community.



*Seniors*

## Officers



President Christine Harvey &  
Vice President Carolyn Creighton



Erin O'Brien, Carolyn Creighton, Christine Harvey,  
Melissa Donaher, & Emily Welch



# Peer Leaders



Top: Mr. Seigel  
Emily Welch  
Erin O'Brien  
Carolyn Creighton  
Christine Harvey  
Olivia Perrone  
Melissa Donaher  
Bottom: Meghan Kelliher  
Sarah Duchaney  
Donna Creighton  
Amanda Dutcher  
Michelle Kelliher  
Not pictured:  
Rachel Bonvie  
Jen Manning  
Nam-Du Nguyen  
Kristen Lee  
Ashleigh Bell

The influence of the AHS Peer Leaders can be seen all around the school and community. Advisor Mr. Siegel has led the members in service activities such as the New Student Transition Program, can and clothing drives, and the Old Colony Youth Conference. The Peer Leaders have also extended their work to painting murals at a local nursing home and volunteering at elementary school functions. As a group, they have successfully improved the lives of many individuals in the Abington community.

## Officers

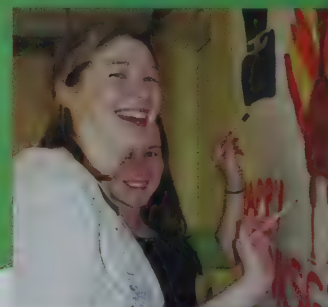


Vice President Emily Welch,  
President Carolyn Creighton,  
Secretary Melissa Donaher

## Seniors



Emily Welch, Carolyn Creighton, Amanda Dutcher, Christine Harvey, Olivia Perrone, Melissa Donaher, Erin O'Brien



Carolyn Creighton (left) and Melissa Donaher (right) hard at work on a Thanksgiving mural at the Colony House Nursing Home



# Student Art Magazine



Amiee Chiavaroli  
Mr. Regalbuto  
Jazmin Gauvain  
Not Pictured:  
Molly DeQuinzio

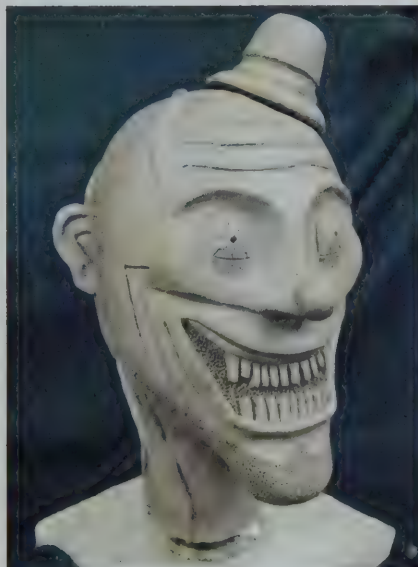
The Student Art Magazine, better known as SAM, is AHS's long-running literary magazine. Student from all grades work together to evaluate submissions of poetry, artwork, photography, short stories, sculpture, and essays to publish a book at the end of the year filled with the best creative works of AHS students.

Mr. Regalbuto advises the club, working with the students through every step of the production process.

## Advisor

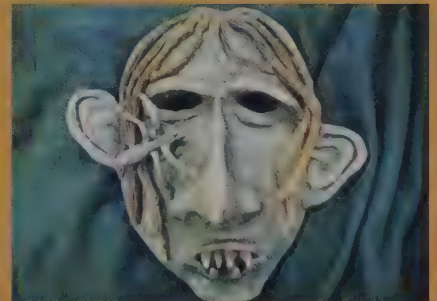


Mr. Regalbuto

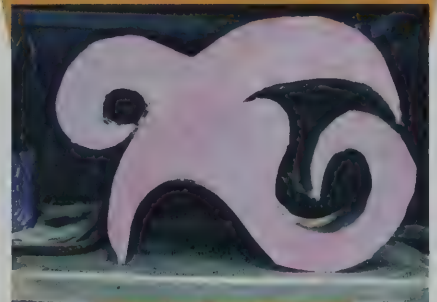


Kyle Linehan

Some artwork from AHS seniors  
Possible SAM submissions...



Laura Harrison



Leslie Donovan



# National Honor Society



Ms. McHugh, Deanna Moore, Rob Chiodi, Allison Griggs, Cory Pickering, Nick Marella, Erin Hollander, Kristian LaPointe, Greg Cronin, Taylor Darmetko, Melissa Donaher, Bobby Gentile, Erin O'Brien, Emily Welch, Christine Harvey, Carolyn Creighton, James Rota, Amanda Dutcher, Erin Connors  
Not pictured: Meredith Brown, Jenni Ngo, Livia Silva, Amanda Russell

Each year, members of the Alpha Chapter of the National Honor Society are inducted based on their exemplary qualities of service, leadership, academic performance, and character. All members must complete a total of 40 hours of community service each year in order to be considered a member "in good standing". This year, NHS group projects included the annual Mr. AHS competition, Walk for Hospice, and Muscular Dystrophy shamrock fundraiser under the direction of Advisor Ms. McHugh. NHS members develop an importance sense of community activism which they will carry with them after graduation and beyond.

## Officers



Ways & Means Erin Hollander, Treasure Rob Chiodi, Vice President Kristian LaPointe, President Greg Cronin, Secretary Melissa Donaher, Ways & Means Erin O'Brien



# You Lead



Katie Crawley  
Jill Goldman  
Mackenzie Gallas  
Melanie O'Brien  
Sam Slack  
Sabrina Gonsler  
Jill Marella  
Steph Chiochio  
Brianna Fay  
Jill Feeney  
Kelly Norton  
Lauren Marella  
Greg Cronin  
Ian Campbell  
Kristian LaPointe  
Iremna Doherty  
Bridget Wakelin  
Andrew Crosta  
Dan Curtain  
Paul Noble  
Pat Dwyer  
Bryan Foster  
Alex Morris

YouLEAD (Youth Leading Everywhere Abstaining from Drugs) is a group formed from the existing SADD group and other students interested in promoting leadership and good decision making. Some events include Lock-In's, community service projects, advisory days, visiting the middle school and elementary schools to help educate Abington's youth about the impact of good decision making.

## Officers



Lauren Marella &  
Bridget Wakelin

## Seniors



Lauren Marella, Greg Cronin, Kristian LaPointe  
Ian Campbell, Andrew Crosta



# Who's That Baby?

## Answer Key

- |                     |                     |                     |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Kaitlyn Parker    | 17 Corey Donlan     | 34 Abbey Beatson    |
| 2 Brad Arena        | 18 Mary Curtis      | 35 Nick Carraggi    |
| 3 Krista Commesso   | 19 Leslie Donovan   | 36 Jessica Meurch   |
| 4 Caroline Smith    | 20 Erica Lydon      | 37 Sam Judge        |
| 5 James Rota        | 21 Jaclyn O'Brien   | 38 Kaylah Connor    |
| 6 Jaclyn Solomon    | 22 Matt DiCicco     | 39 Jason Mercier    |
| 7 Carolyn Creighton | 23 Kirsten Utterson | 40 Kim Cutter       |
| 8 Alessandra Fisher | 24 Erin O'Brien     | 41 Aidan O'Rourke   |
| 9 Melissa Peters    | 25 Nicole D'Attilio | 42 Erin Connors     |
| 10 Pat Kustka       | 26 Kyle Linehan     | 43 Erin Hollander   |
| 11 Jen Eldridge     | 27 Amanda Dutcher   | 44 Greg Mitchell    |
| 12 Livia Silva      | 28 Ian Campbell     | 45 Emily Welch      |
| 13 Joey Dussault    | 29 Jenn Ngo         | 46 Kyle Durant      |
| 14 Kelly Mitchell   | 30 Mike Mulligan    | 47 Josh Shields     |
| 15 Greg Cronin      | 31 Donna Leon       | 48 Emily Picardi    |
| 16 Sarah Atkinson   | 32 Jen Esau         | 49 Caroline Provost |
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# Messages from the *Editors*



When school started in September of our senior year, I had no intentions of playing such a strong role in the making of this yearbook. To this day I am not sure how I ended up being an editor of this book, but I do not regret stepping up to the challenge. I have never been an outgoing girl; I am shy and keep to myself most of the time. Something about being on this team has made me break out of my shell in a big way. I forced myself to approach people I did not know and found that by stepping out of my comfort zone, I met some really outstanding people. I am so happy that i took this opportunity because I would have never spoke to half of you and gotten to know every member of our class.



I just want to say one thing that I have noticed during the past twelve years spent with you. Sometimes we failed to take notice of the great moments our class has shared together, choosing instead to focus on the negatives. It is no secret that we have had more than our fair share of bad luck and the fact that our class definitely has more cliques than most has impacted many potential friendships. The truth is we have not always gotten along as a class. I believe this because we are a class full of leaders. Everybody has an opinion and is not afraid to share it. Everyone in the class of 2010 has something different and amazing to bring to the table. When all of us are placed together we accomplish greatness. Just think about the achievements our class accomplished in athletics, academics and arts, even though we faced budget cuts, lost great teachers and dealt with large class sizes. This class will leave Abington High School as one of the most talented, intelligent and certainly unique classes to pass through that building.

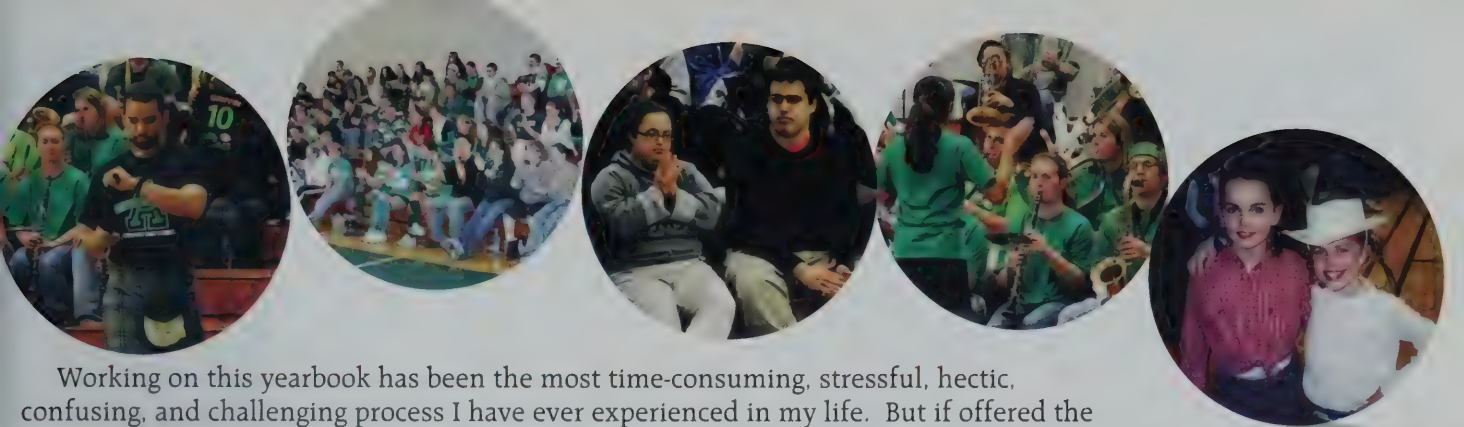


The theme of this yearbook is "A Perfect Ten." If you define perfection by what the dictionary says, than this is the worst fitting title for our yearbook, ever. The way I see it is that we are perfect in our own way. Each of us is so very different and has our own strengths and weaknesses. All of our individual strengths are what makes us perfect as one. We are as perfect as we can be and I would rather graduate knowing we played by our own rules instead of following the crowd. Do not ever let yourselves forget that you are members of a great class full of leaders. I do not have a doubt in my mind that your leadership will take you far in life. No matter where you end up in the future, try not to forget where it all began. Open this book every so often to remind yourself of the great people you graduated with. I hope this yearbook is something you will cherish for the rest of your lives.

*-Rachel Bonvie*  
Co-Editor







Working on this yearbook has been the most time-consuming, stressful, hectic, confusing, and challenging process I have ever experienced in my life. But if offered the chance to do it again, I would still jump at the opportunity to be the editor.

This experience has taught me so much about myself as a person, but also about our class as a whole. Of course, we have always felt our class was unique from others. It seemed like we often got the short end of the stick, from losing Field Day and The Dare Program back in 6th grade, to being the first class ever to have to pass the Science MCAS to graduate, and now, having huge budget cuts in our senior year. It has felt, in a way, like there was always someone out to get us. But despite all this, or maybe because of it, our class has pushed forward, continually striving for success. And we have found it too. From our championship-winning sports teams and outstanding academic achievements, to our exceptional volunteer work and creativity in the arts, our class's well-roundedness has brought us great acclamation and pride. And although we haven't all been the best of friends or gotten along as well as we could have, I now see that we share our remarkable achievements, as seen in the pages of this book, and have left a permanent mark on the history of Abington High School.

This yearbook is a recollection of our memories together, from the first day of kindergarten all the way up to the final months of our senior year. Rachel and I have put in countless hours of work to make this a book which you will not only laugh at and enjoy now, but also appreciate in the years to come. There are, of course, a few people we must thank. First, our advisor, Ms. Chiasson, who worked as an excellent liaison between the students, faculty, and yearbook company to help us bring all the necessary pieces together. Her careful eye for proof reading also saved us a lot of time in the editing process. Our Lifetouch Representative, Kathy Curley, worked tirelessly to keep us on schedule and to help us create fun, custom layouts for many of our pages. I have no doubt that without either of these women our book would not have turned out so well. Many of our classmates also played an important role in creating this yearbook, including Jessica Meurch, Nick Malafronte, Brenda Gleason, Abby Hass, Erin O'Brien, Lizz Griffin, Olivia Perrone, and a few other members of the yearbook staff. Thank you all for giving us some of your time to help make this yearbook "a perfect ten".

Now, take the time to look back through these pages and reflect upon where we have been, where we are now, and where we are going, but remember that we will always be connected as members of the Abington High School Class of 2010.

*-Melissa Donaher*  
Co-Editor





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## I Can Only Hope

I can only hope that you remember the best days  
The bad days can simply be forgotten  
I can only hope that everyone can be forgiving  
The conversations with each other will not be the same  
I can only hope that you all live your life to the fullest  
The hard times can be left behind  
I can only hope that memories stay with us forever  
The great ones remaining with us always  
I can only hope that you do great things with your future  
The world is in your hands  
I can only hope that the laughs continue  
The years to come will hold a lot of joy  
I can only hope that something was learned  
The books can only teach you so much  
I can only hope that you treasure this small town  
The very place where you had the best times of your life  
I can only hope that you can look back and smile  
The friends you had here made everything worth it  
I can only hope that you have no regrets  
The mistakes that you made can be laughed at  
I can only hope that you remember one another  
The most positive memories you had together  
I can only hope that as our paths cross in the future  
The warmth of seeing an old friend will brighten your day  
I can only hope that you know I'll be there for you  
The day might come, when you will need me  
I can only hope that you believe in what I say  
The honesty and love that is in my words  
I can only hope that we will all stick together  
The last twelve years we could have done better  
I can only hope that as we reunite over the next few years  
The bond we should have as a class can finally be realized

-Rachel Bonvie



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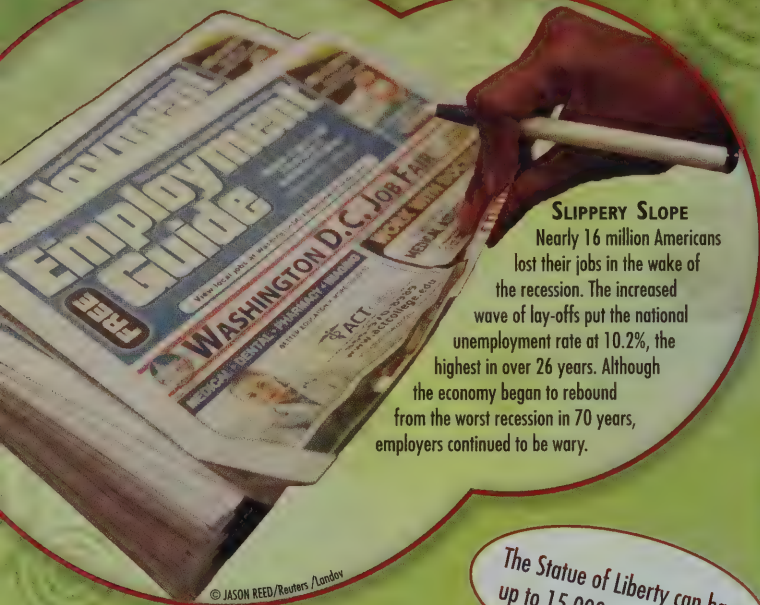
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# Headline News



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## SLIPPERY SLOPE

Nearly 16 million Americans lost their jobs in the wake of the recession. The increased wave of lay-offs put the national unemployment rate at 10.2%, the highest in over 26 years. Although the economy began to rebound from the worst recession in 70 years, employers continued to be wary.

The Statue of Liberty can have up to 15,000 visitors per day.



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## BALLOON HOAX

Millions watched as a large metallic balloon, said to be carrying a 6 year old boy, soared through the air in Colorado. When it landed and "balloon boy" Falcon Heene was not inside, the world was relieved to learn he had been hiding in the attic the entire time. Three days later, after a telling interview, the whole spectacle was deemed a hoax in the parents' pursuit of fame and fortune. The parents pled guilty to criminal charges and received jail time.



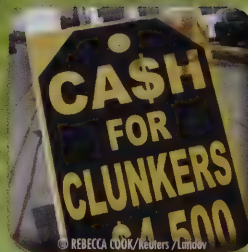
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## FORT HOOD TRAGEDY

On November 5, 2009, Fort Hood, America's largest military base, transformed from a place where soldiers prepare for war to an actual battlefield. Major Nidal Malik Hasan, a licensed military psychiatrist, opened fire in the processing center where soldiers report before deployment. Twelve soldiers and one civilian lost their lives, while 30 others were injured, including Hasan. In the past, Hasan had been openly critical about the war on terror.



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## CLUNKERS MAKE SOME NOISE

For nearly a month in the summer of 2009 America was consumed by CARS (Car Allowance Rebate System), commonly known as Cash for Clunkers. The government program was designed to encourage drivers to trade-in old gas-guzzlers in favor of new, fuel-efficient vehicles. With an incentive of up to \$4,500, the program was wildly successful and nearly 700,000 cars were traded in.

## A MUSIC ICON REMEMBERED

Legendary performer Michael Jackson passed away suddenly at the age of 50. As news spread of his death, the internet suffered a significant slowdown as people worldwide conducted simultaneous searches. Jackson was also nominated for five American Music Awards in 2009, including Artist of the Year, after his music saw a tremendous surge in sales and airplay. As a final tribute, Sony Pictures released *This Is It*. The never-before-seen footage of Jackson rehearsing for his final 50 shows was a massive success, making millions.



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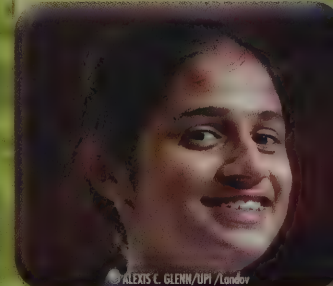
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## NUCLEAR TEST

North Korea conducted a series of rocket and missile tests, including an underground nuclear bomb test in an attempt to lure the U.S. into talks to loosen sanctions. The international community was outraged, stating that the test was in clear violation of international law. In 2008, North Korea agreed to suspend its nuclear testing in exchange for economic stimulus, but the deal fell through after it removed inspectors from the country.

## ALL A BUZZ

Kavya Shivashankar, a 13 year old from Kansas, won the Scripps National Spelling Bee. A four-time competitor and aspiring neurosurgeon, Kavya won the trophy and more than \$40,000 in cash and prizes with her correct spelling of "Laodicean" — meaning lukewarm or indifferent in religion or politics.



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## CATASTROPHIC QUAKE

The island nation of Haiti was struck by a devastating 7.0 magnitude earthquake so strong it could be felt nearly 200 miles away. The flattened capital city left millions seeking shelter and medical attention and Haitian government officials estimated over 111,000 people lost their lives. Humanitarian organizations such as the Red Cross set up aid and relief efforts while streamlining donations by allowing individuals to text message pledges. Within days, over \$355 million in donations had been raised through the combined efforts of companies, charities and individuals.

## OPRAH MOVES ON

Popular syndicated talk show host and business tycoon, Oprah Winfrey, announced she would end *The Oprah Winfrey Show* in late summer 2011. The news came as a shock to fans that have elevated her status to nothing short of an icon since the show's inception in 1986. Early speculation indicated she may start a new show on her own Oprah Winfrey Network in 2011. Her show currently draws about 7 million viewers a day.



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## IRANIAN ELECTION PROTESTS

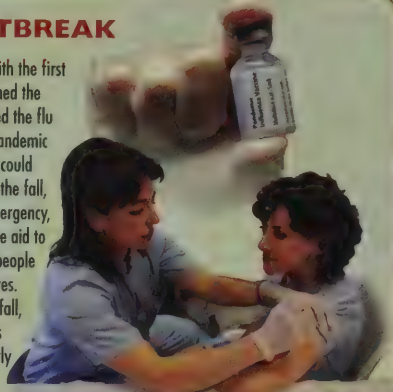
Iran's presidential election drew international attention when disputes over the winner sparked two weeks of protests. Reformist activists claimed Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's landslide win was a fraudulent mishandling of the ballots. The protests resulted in 20 fatalities, numerous arrests and trials for nearly 100 demonstrators facing charges such as attacking government property, violence toward security forces and creating panic in public.



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## H1N1 FLU OUTBREAK

In the spring of 2009, H1N1 emerged with the first reported cases in Mexico. The virus reached the United States in April and officials worried the flu would spread rapidly, causing a global pandemic and fear that the unpredictable flu virus could mutate into a more dangerous strain. In the fall, President Obama declared a national emergency, enabling the government to provide more aid to the states. In the U.S. alone, millions of people were infected and thousands lost their lives. When a vaccine became available in the fall, thousands flooded phone lines and clinics around the country, as the demand greatly outnumbered the first supply.



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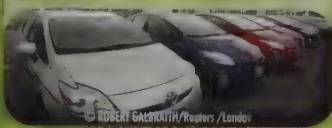
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## SONIA SUPREME

With a vote of 68-31, Sonia Sotomayor became the first Hispanic person to become a Supreme Court Justice and just the third woman of all time. Sotomayor was appointed to the Supreme Court with 17 years of federal experience, having tried over 3,600 cases.

## TOYOTA TROUBLES

Automobile giant, Toyota, recalled eight of its models after learning of a problem with its acceleration mechanisms that caused some gas pedals to stick and vehicles to accelerate without warning. Though the company said the problem is "rare and infrequent" it decided to recall about 4.2 million vehicles worldwide and brought U.S. sales and production to a halt. The company tried to remedy the situation and ease the nerves of uncertain drivers by sending new parts to dealers to fix the faulty pedals.



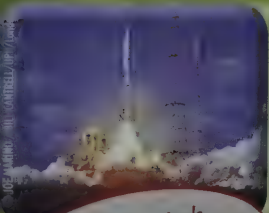
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## HEALTH CARE HURDLES

In groundbreaking sessions of Congress, both the House and Senate passed bills for health care reform after months of debate. The next step was to merge the nearly \$1 trillion proposed plans for a final vote. If passed, the bill would become the largest federal health care expansion in forty years since the introduction of Medicare and Medicaid. The goal of the bill is to bring extended insurance coverage to an additional 30 million Americans.



## ARES BLASTS OFF

Forty years after putting the first men on the moon, NASA is once again elevating its space program with the new Ares I-X Rocket. The streamline rocket's simpler design is cheaper and up to 10 times safer than its shuttle predecessors. Despite a successful first test in late October, officials say that the I-X may not carry astronauts until 2017.

TIME Magazine's  
"Best Invention of the Year"

# My Headlines

WHAT WERE YOUR FAVORITE HEADLINES OF THE YEAR?

## SURPRISE PRIZE

A surprise to many, the Norwegian Nobel Committee honored President Barack Obama with the 2009 Nobel Peace Prize, just eight months into his tenure. The committee explained it was Obama's "extraordinary efforts to strengthen international diplomacy and cooperation between peoples" that brought his name to the top of the nominees list. Upon learning the news, the president remarked that he was humbled by the decision.



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## SHIFTING FRONTLINES

President Obama announced the deployment of 30,000 additional American troops to Afghanistan starting in early 2010, bringing the total U.S. presence to about 100,000 troops. The intended strategy was to combat the growing momentum of the Taliban in the region and to provide training for Afghan security forces. Plans to begin withdrawing troops were set for 2011.

## DUBAI IN THE SKY

Marking a stunning architectural achievement, the Burj Khalifa in Dubai opened, becoming the tallest skyscraper in the world. The towering needle-shaped structure stretches nearly 2,700 feet into the air. The building has 160 stories which include apartments, office space and a hotel designed by Giorgio Armani. The eye-catching main attraction of a new shopping district, the Burj Khalifa reportedly cost \$1.5 billion to build.



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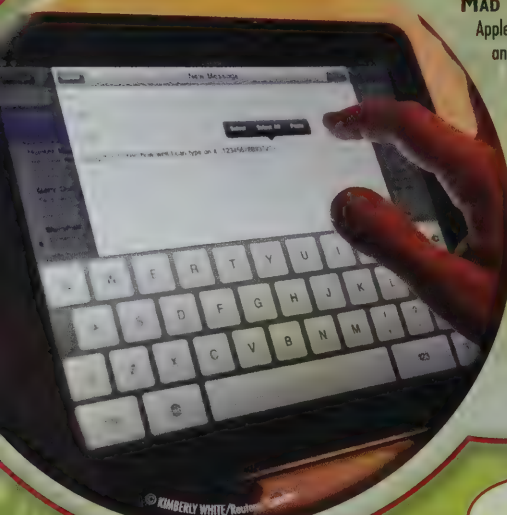
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## FOUND 18 YEARS LATER

The discovery of Jaycee Dugard 18 years after her disappearance renewed hope for families of missing children. When Dugard was 11 years old she was abducted by Philip Garrido while walking to her school bus. Jaycee was held captive in Garrido's backyard. Both Garrido and his wife face multiple charges, including kidnapping and false imprisonment. Jaycee has since reunited with her family.



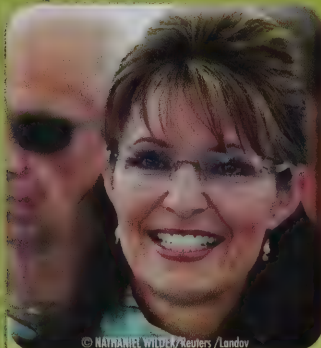
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## MAD FOR IPAD

Apple unveiled its highly anticipated iPad this year to mixed reviews. Many Apple devotees were excited about the tablet with its nearly 10-inch touch screen and 3G connection, while others were skeptical about the name and data plan. As part of the iPad, Apple also released the iBook, an application that allows users to see books on a shelf, change fonts, and touch the screen to turn pages.

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## PALIN RESIGNS

Alaskan Governor and 2008 Republican Vice Presidential candidate Sarah Palin resigned from office, saying that Lieutenant Governor Sean Parnell would "fight even harder" for Alaskans. Palin added that her decision was made to protect her family from further criticism and would also allow her to advocate for causes such as energy independence and national security. In January 2010, it was announced that Palin would join Fox News as a contributor.



## BE MINE

Sweethearts®, the popular Valentine's Day treat, added a new phrase to its line of endearing candy love messages. Teaming up with the social-network, Twitter, the candy company started stamping "Tweet Me" on its heart-shaped candies. Sweethearts also plans to introduce a new iPhone app that would allow users to send electronic versions of the candy with personalized messages to friends' "Twitter" pages.



## GOODBYE GOOD MORNING AMERICA

In a tearful farewell, Diane Sawyer said "goodbye" to *Good Morning America* and "hello" to ABC's *World News*. After more than 10 years on the weekday morning show, Sawyer replaced the retiring Charles Gibson as the anchor of the nightly news program. Sawyer's replacement was George Stephanopoulos, former President Clinton staff member and moderator of *This Week* on ABC.

## FALL OF THE WALL REMEMBERED

Twenty years ago the Berlin Wall fell, marking the end of the Cold War and the divide between East and West Germany. To celebrate the anniversary, thousands of German citizens celebrated as 1,000 towers, all 8 feet tall, were toppled to symbolize the destruction of the dividing wall. The celebration was overseen by current German Chancellor Angela Merkel and former Russian leader Mikhail Gorbachev, who many hold responsible for reforming the former Soviet Union.

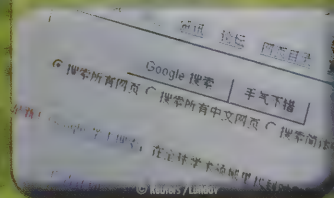


## FRIGHTENING FLIGHT

On Christmas Day 2009, a Nigerian man attempted to blow up a flight carrying nearly 300 passengers from Amsterdam to Detroit, Michigan. Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab had a bomb sewn into his undergarments and tried unsuccessfully to detonate the devices as the plane made its final descent. Stringent security precautions were put into effect and President Obama ordered a thorough review of safety regulations. Al Qaeda later claimed responsibility for the terrorist act.

## LINKING LANGUAGES

Historically, URLs have been constructed with Latin based characters like 1, 2, 3 and A, B, C. Now, after approval by the International Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), domain names will appear with other characters from Arabic and Chinese languages. The chairman of ICANN, Peter Dengate Thrush said, "The coming introduction of non-Latin characters represents the biggest technical change to the internet since it was created four decades ago."



## ON SHAKY GROUND

The South American country of Chile was the target of an 8.8-magnitude earthquake that destroyed many villages in its path. The next day the same south-central region of the country was struck again by a tsunami that created waves over 18 feet high. Approximately 800 people lost their lives and the destruction between the two natural disasters brought widespread shortages in food.

## NYC FLYOVER

Workers in Manhattan, New York were panicked as a Boeing 747 and an F-16 aircraft circled the Statue of Liberty, causing many to fear a repeat of the 9/11 attacks. It was later discovered that the planes were official government aircrafts conducting a photo shoot. The official who approved the fly-over later resigned.



## ELECTRONIC TEXT BOOKS

College students caught a break this year — with free text books. Flat World Knowledge allowed 40,000 students at over 400 colleges and universities to access their course materials online, for free, saving students nearly \$3 million in the fall semester alone. With other options like print-on-demand and integrated audio and video, the company hopes to expand its offerings to other schools throughout the country.





## HOUSE PARTY CRASHED

Virginia couple Tareq and Michaela Salah, crashed the first state dinner held by the Obama's. Passing two security check-points, the couple mingled with Vice President Joe Biden and Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel before exiting two hours later. The breach of security caused a full investigation by the Secret Service. Months later, speculation turned to White House social secretary Desiree Rogers who was criticized for not keeping a checklist of attendees as they entered the event. Rogers later resigned.



## LATE NIGHT SHUFFLE

After 17 years, *Tonight Show* host Jay Leno passed the torch to fellow NBC late-night personality, Conan O'Brien—but not for long. The *Tonight Show* lost millions of viewers and Leno's new self-titled primetime show was deemed a flop. Just seven months after giving O'Brien *The Tonight Show*, NBC reversed course, returning Leno to his former seat. As part of the deal, NBC agreed to pay Conan \$33 million, with \$12 million going to his staff in severance. O'Brien hosted his last show on January 22nd, while Leno returned to *The Tonight Show* on March 1st.

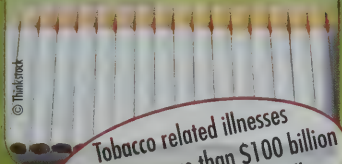


## GOOGLE CHINA

After a sophisticated cyber attack rooted in China, Google announced it would no longer censor search results on Google.cn, the Chinese version of the popular search engine. The Chinese government requires censorship of search results and websites to prevent security and state secrets from being jeopardized. China has the largest population of internet users in the world.

## FDA TAKES ON TOBACCO

The Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act gave the FDA more power to control the tobacco industry. Under the new legislation, tobacco companies were no longer allowed to use words like "mild" or "low-tar" and were also prohibited from selling candy or fruit flavored cigarettes.



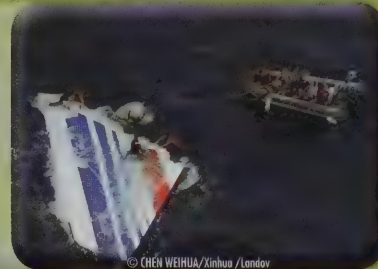
Tobacco related illnesses account for more than \$100 billion in health care costs annually.

# My Headlines

WHAT WERE YOUR FAVORITE HEADLINES OF THE YEAR?

## AIR FRANCE

An Air France Airbus Flight AF 447 flying from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil to Paris, France crashed into the Atlantic Ocean. None of the 228 people on board survived. Despite initial reports, the plane hit the water vertically, instead of breaking apart in mid-air. The crash was the worst in Air France's 75-year history.

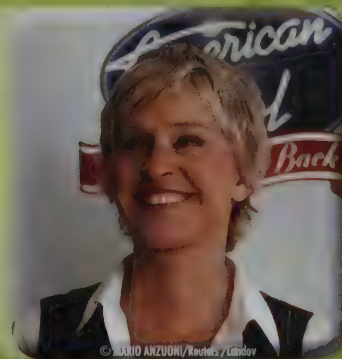


## DANGERS OF FAST FOOD

For two years, John Manley, a 50-year-old North Carolina man, complained of severe coughing, pneumonia, and vomiting. When doctors used a tiny camera to investigate his lungs they were shocked to find the cause—a piece of plastic. The plastic was removed and traced back to a spoon from fast-food chain Wendy's after doctors recognized the eatery's logo.

## THE NEXT AMERICAN IDOL JUDGE

After eight seasons, *American Idol* judge Paula Abdul left the show. Emmy award-winning talk show host and comedian Ellen DeGeneres filled the seat and began judging duties when the show returned for its ninth season. Shortly after the show's return another *Idol* judge, Simon Cowell announced his intended split at the end of the season. It was reported that Cowell planned to develop a new talent show series based on the popular U.K. series, *The X Factor*.



## PIRATES HOLD CAPTAIN CAPTIVE

After five days of being held hostage on the dangerous seas off the coast of Somalia, Captain Richard Phillips was rescued from his pirate capturers. In a tired moment, the pirates let down their guards long enough for U.S. Navy SEAL marksmen to take their shots, ending the lives of all three pirates. Days earlier, Phillips offered himself as a captive to the pirates in order to prevent them from seizing his vessel, the *Maersk Alabama*, ultimately protecting his fellow crewmen.



# Science & Discoveries

## AERODYNAMIC SEEDS

"Helicopter seeds," the seeds from maple trees, have provided hours of fun for children but researchers were stumped as to what made the seeds hover. A team of Dutch and American scientists discovered the answer. When a maple seed swirls, a tornado-like vortex lowers the air pressure around the seed, sucking the wings upward to oppose gravity—insects, bats, and hummingbirds employ the same technique.



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## IN HOT WATER

Ocean temperatures around the world measured 1 degree higher than normal between June and August, averaging 62.5°F, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. August saw the warmest temps on record since 1880, when record keeping began. Though climate change is listed as a factor, meteorologists say the warming is also due in part to a natural El Niño system. Ocean heat puts coral reefs in harm's way and also contributes to melting Arctic sea ice and hurricane strength.



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## A FARMER'S FRIEND

Even plants have joined in the text-messaging craze. Through SmartCrop™ infrared thermometers planted in soil, plants can "tell" farmers when they are hot or thirsty. Most crops have an ideal temperature for growth and these thermometers allow farmers to be notified by text message if a plant has risen above the ideal temp.



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## GROWTH SPURT

The Bristlecone pine is the world's longest-lived tree, sustaining ages up to 4,800 years. Recently, researchers found that these ancient trees are growing at a much faster rate than ever before as evident by its widening rings. The growth is presumably due to the increase in temperature in their high-altitude climate over the past 50 years.



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## SOLAR ENERGY MAKEOVER

Developers have found two ways to make solar power panels more appealing to the average homeowner. First, underground panels use fiber optic cables to capture and distribute sun energy, instead of heavy panels. The second option is to incorporate shingle-like solar panels that have a thin copper film covering to absorb light energy into the roof. The Powerhouse™ Solar Shingle is expected to be less expensive and easier to install than full-size panels.



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## POO POWER PAYOFF

In response to rising energy costs year-after-year, Shawn Saylor turned to an unlikely renewable source to power his family's dairy farm. Using the manure from 600 cows, Saylor used a process known as anaerobic digestion to generate energy. Saylor explained that this method produces a savings of about \$200,000 per year with the ability to sell left over energy back to the power company.



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## TINY T-REX

History's fearsome Tyrannosaurus Rex may have had miniature ancestors. A newly discovered ancient creature known as "Raptorex" closely resembles its massive relative, at only a fraction of the size. Experts report it may have weighed only 150 pounds compared to T-Rex's 13,000 pounds. Raptorex would have existed 60 million years before T-Rex, and despite its size, would have touted an extremely powerful bite.

## LET'S GO FLY A KITE

Scientists from the University of California and the Carnegie Institution have discovered a way to create sustainable energy — through kites. High-altitude winds contain a vast amount of energy. By releasing kite-like wind turbines miles above the planet and tethering them to the ground, researchers believe they could create enough energy to supply electricity worldwide.



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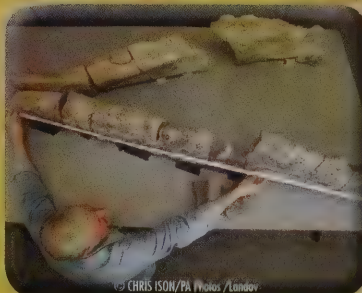
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## COOLING SUN

Scientists have discovered that the sun is at its dimmest in over 100 years. Typically, the sun undergoes 11-year cycles, culminating in the expulsion of solar flares and planet-sized debris. After 2008 the sun was expected to become increasingly hotter, but instead it was at a 50-year low for solar pressure and a 100-year low for sunspot activity. Although dimming of the sun has resulted in decreased temperatures in the past, the onset of global warming has likely counteracted this phenomenon.

## COLOSSAL SEA MONSTER

The fossilized skull of an ancient sea monster called a plesiosaur was discovered along the Jurassic Coast of England. The skull—dating back 150 million years—measured nearly eight feet. Scientists believe the creature's full size was up to 52 feet long, making it the biggest plesiosaur ever found. The dangerous sea predator could have eaten a T-Rex for breakfast!



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## CARBON CAPTURE

Professor Klaus Lackner of Columbia University has created a "synthetic tree" able to capture destructive carbon dioxide 1,000 times better than real trees. When the wind blows through the "leaves", carbon is trapped and converted to a liquid form. One unit could remove up to a ton of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere a day—the equivalent of 20 cars.





## ROBOTS CAN SWIM!

Mechanical engineers Kamal Youcef-Toumi and Pablo Valdivia Y Alvarado of MIT designed robotic fish that can swim and maneuver just like real fish. They hope to one day use the robots to help patrol bodies of water such as lakes and rivers, looking for pollutants and inspecting underwater structures.



## NOW THAT'S A RING

NASA's Spitzer Space Telescope discovered the largest ring around the planet Saturn. The never-before-seen ring is so colossal that NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory estimates that it would take 1 billion earth-sized planets to fill it. Composed of dust and ice particles, the ring's temperature is approximately -316°F.



## SUPER NATURAL GLUE

The asparagus beetle attaches its eggs using what is said to be some of the strongest natural glue in the world. A study discovered the almost invisible eggs require a pull-off force of "8,650 times higher than the egg weight." It's not unusual for an insect to produce egg glue and this research could lead to the discovery of other natural bonding agents.



## H<sub>2</sub>O ON THE MOON

For the first time, water was discovered on the moon's surface. NASA announced its significant find after reviewing data from an intentional satellite crash it conducted in search of water. The data also revealed there were more than just droplets but rather "a dozen, two-gallon bucketfuls." Experts said the discovery will open the door to other space exploration opportunities, including the potential for a sustainable lunar space station.



## GLOW-IN-THE-DARK PUPPIES?

Scientists in South Korea cloned a genetically engineered litter of pups, enabling them to glow red under ultraviolet light. The intention of the experiment was to prove that if fluorescent protein can be created through the modification of genetic code, there may be a way to fix genetic flaws in humans by similar innovations in genetic coding.

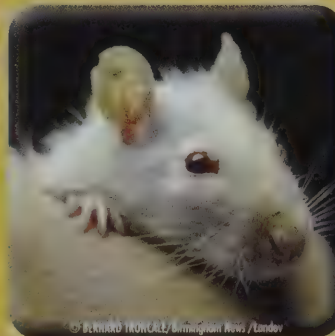


## My Discoveries

WHAT WERE YOUR FAVORITE DISCOVERIES OF THE YEAR?

## AUTISM BRAIN DISCOVERY

To learn more about the causes of autism, researchers conducted a study of MRI brain scans of 50 toddlers. Preliminary findings showed that on average, an area in the brain called the amygdala is 13% larger in young children with autism. It is believed that these children are born with normal-sized brains but later in the first year the area begins to grow larger. Autism is a developmental condition affecting as many as 1 in 150 children.



## MIGHTY MICE

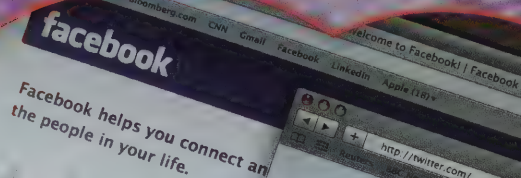
In a scientific breakthrough, two labs in China bred the first induced pluripotent stem cell (iPS) mice, meaning they were the first of their kind developed from adult stem cells, instead of the more controversial embryonic cells. Scientists reprogrammed the cells back to an embryonic state where they could again develop into actual mice. This discovery is strong evidence that iPS cells have the potential to be used for treating disease.





# Tech Topics

Awarded Educational Toy of the Year at the 2009 Australian Toy Hobby and Nursery Fair.



## WHAT'S THE WORD?

Social networking giant Facebook grew to more than 250 million users in 2009 and was valued at about \$15 billion. With that many users it's no wonder the site has become a part of our daily language. This trend became even more evident when New Oxford American Dictionary and the American Dialect Society announced their "Word(s) of the Year". "Unfriend" was the first internet-inspired word to take the Oxford title while the American Dialect Society announced "Tweet" as its top word for the year and "Google" as "Word of the Decade".

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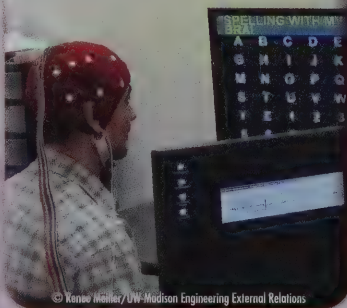
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## SEEING EYEBORG

Canadian filmmaker Rob Spence has lived with permanent damage to his right eye since the age of 11. In his efforts to regain vision, Rob partnered with a camera provider in an attempt to replace his eye with a wireless, battery-powered video camera for what is being called the "Eyeborg" Project.

## TWITTER ON THE MIND

Millions share their thoughts, opinions and updates every day (or hour) using Twitter. But University of Wisconsin doctoral student Adam Wilson's research revealed a new use — establishing a form of communication for those with extensive paralysis. Wearing an electrode-covered cap, Wilson focused his attention on flashing letters on a computer screen while his brain activity was monitored to figure out which letter he wanted. In the end he was able to tweet 23 characters with his mind.



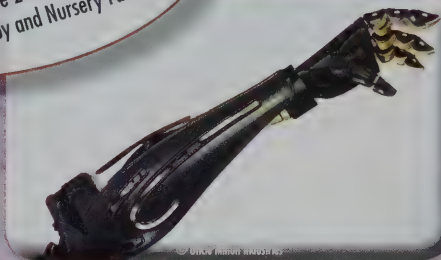
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## CYBORG BEETLES

Ripped from the pages of science fiction comes the government-funded cyborg beetle. Development began on a project that has scientists implanting miniature electrodes into beetles to enable them to control the insects' every move via remote control. Though still in testing, the high-tech critters could one day be used as military spies.



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## DARTH VADER ARM

The Darth Vader robotic arm, the latest and greatest in *Star Wars* related toys and collectibles, is easy to assemble with 45 pieces that snap together. Though just a toy, this robotic limb has the power to grip, turn, extend and hold objects.

## THE BLADELESS FAN

It's been 127 years since the standard electric fan was introduced and people have been pretty satisfied. Now, the Dyson company, well known for its innovative vacuum cleaners, introduced the first bladeless fan. The Air Multiplier pulls air through its base, which is then pushed through a hidden vent into the circular head of the fan to create an uninterrupted breeze.



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## DISPOSABLE TIMING CHIPS

After years of clunky timing devices and expensive lost chip fees, runners will benefit from disposable timing technology. Using radio frequency identification (RFID), race organizers can put an integrated tag on race bib numbers to accurately record time during competition. The cost effective design also allows runners to simply throw away the chip after racing.

## 3-D TV

Riding a wave of popularity since the release of hit movies like *Up* and *Monsters vs. Aliens*, 3-D is coming to television. Manufacturers such as Sony, Panasonic, Mitsubishi, and JVC all reported working on 3-D televisions. In the future, viewers will have the option of watching programs in 3-D, utilizing special glasses to see the third dimension.



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## ENERGY SAVING LIGHT

Philips Electronics introduced a new energy-efficient LED light bulb that uses just 10 watts (compared to 60 watts of the standard bulb) and generates the same amount of energy but lasts 25 times longer as its counterpart. The bulb may save as much electricity as is needed for 17.4 million households in a given year. Philips Electronics LED bulb was entered into the U.S. Department of Energy's L Prize competition and if it takes the prize, the company could be awarded \$10 million in cash and federal contracts.

## BEATLES ROCK AGAIN

The Beatles rocked the music industry, re-releasing their famed anthology and launching their first ever video game. Decades after their last album was recorded, all 12 of The Beatles' studio albums were re-released in a new digitally re-mastered format. *The Beatles: Rock Band*, an experiential video game, features 45 of their hits and offers players an option to relive music history by playing through the tracks chronologically.



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## SMART THERMOSTAT

EnergyHub™ Dashboard was introduced addressing both the environmental and recession-minded concerns of today. The device wirelessly tracks your appliances and informs you of how much energy you are using. It also tells you how much your usage costs so you can make adjustments, conserve energy and pocket the savings.



## TETRIS TURNS 25

With an undeniable place in video game history, the popular puzzle game *Tetris* turned 25. A series of new features for a new generation were announced, such as *Tetris Acorn Drop*, a concept taken from the movie *Ice Age*.



In its lifetime, Tetris has been purchased or downloaded more than 125 million times.

## REALITY GAMING

Video games got a dose of reality by taking their inspiration from the news. Games like *Hero on the Hudson*, *Swinefighter* and *Trillion Dollar Bailout* allowed users to be a part of the headline-making stories. The two-dimensional games, mostly developed for internet or cell phones, were simple, allowing creators to release them quickly after the actual events took place.



## WALK THIS WAY

Before iPods became the "it" way to listen to music on the go, there was the Sony Walkman. Once the leader in music technology, the audio cassette player and radio turned 30 this year. The grandfather of personal music devices allowed users to take their favorite tunes anywhere, ultimately paving the way for the Discman, the MP3 player and the iPod.

# My Technology

WHAT WERE YOUR FAVORITE GADGETS OF THE YEAR?

## SMART PHONES GET SMARTER

The smartphone continued its rise in popularity as on-the-go technology evolved. From the popular BlackBerry® series to the iPhone, smartphones offered everyone from business professionals and techies to senior citizens and even children hand-held access to the internet and continuous connectivity to the world. Additionally, 2009 was deemed "the year of the app" by many, with available applications surpassing 100,000 (and over 1 billion downloads) that can do just about anything imaginable — from efficient and practical to simple and fun.



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## THE NEW FACE OF HOLLYWOOD

Legendary filmmaker James Cameron reshaped the movie industry by helping develop the advanced camera technology used in his blockbuster hit *Avatar*. Cameron helped pioneer a lightweight, two-lens camera that can shoot dynamic live action footage in 3-D and a head-rig camera that accurately records facial expressions. The result is a stunningly realistic, digitally created movie that captures even the most obscure details on an actor's face. The computer generated characters, like those on *Avatar*'s fictional planet of Pandora, appear more realistic than ever before.



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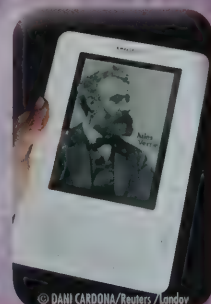
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## DIRTY WORK

A DustCart robot, reminiscent of Disney's *WALL-E*, recently took to the streets of Italy. The robot, which will be tested in cities around the world, responds to residents who place their trash and recyclables on the curb and call for pick up. It fills up its belly with unwanted waste, much the same as the traditional dump truck. Though not as efficient as a fleet of trucks, the DustCart monitors air pollutants and is much quieter, running on lithium ion batteries.

## E-Book It!

The Amazon Kindle wireless e-book reader has been growing in popularity since its introduction nearly three years ago. During the holiday season, the mobile reading device boasted record performance becoming the most gifted item in Amazon's history selling more e-books than physical books for the first time ever. Proving a growing trend, Barnes and Noble, Inc. introduced its own electronic reader, nook™ which took the number two spot on TIME Magazine's Top Gadgets of 2009.



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# Scoreboard

## PURSUIT OF THE CUP

In a precursor to the World Cup next year, Brazil won the FIFA 2009 Confederations Cup held in South Africa. The Brazilians bounced back from a two-goal deficit late in the game to dramatically beat the U.S. It was the third tournament championship for Brazil and the 14th win of 15 games against the U.S.



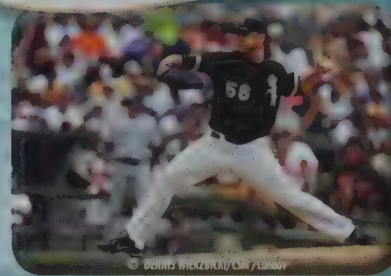
## YANKEES WIN 27TH TITLE

The New York Yankees defeated the defending champion Philadelphia Phillies in game six of the World Series. The win marks the 27th World Series title for the Yankees, the most titles in all of sports, and the first win in their \$1.5 billion new stadium. Hideki Matsui was named series MVP with a record-setting six RBIs in game six, while Andy Pettitte became the pitcher with the most wins in the post-season, claiming his 18th victory.

## BUEHRLE PITCHES PERFECT

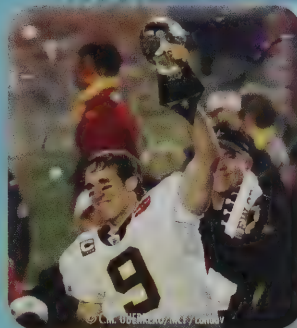
Chicago White Sox pitcher Mark Buehrle tossed a gem of a game on July 23rd to become only the 18th player in history to pitch a perfect game. The feat came two seasons after he threw a no-hitter, which makes him just the 26th player to throw multiple no-hitters in his career.

Mark Buehrle is the only active pitcher with two career no-hitters.



## SAINTS GO MARCHING

For the first time in its 43-year franchise history and its first appearance at the big game, the New Orleans Saints won the Super Bowl beating out the Indianapolis Colts. With a stunning defensive performance and unstoppable offensive drive that dominated three quarters, the Saints claimed its 31-17 victory. Later, team quarterback Drew Brees was honored as Most Valuable Player having tied the record for most completions in a Super Bowl, finishing with 32 completions out of 39 passes for 288 yards.



## CHAMPION MOM

Kim Clijsters rejoined the world of tennis in grand fashion. After retiring from the sport in 2007 to start a family, Clijsters returned to win the US Open. By defeating Caroline Wozniacki in the finals, the Belgian tennis pro became the first unseeded woman ever to win the 2009 US Open; and the first mother to win a Grand Slam title since Evonne Goolagong Cawley at Wimbledon in 1980.



## LITTLE LEAGUE WORLD SERIES

In a suspenseful final game, California clinched the 5th straight Little League World Series title for the U.S. Fans, including Vice President Joe Biden, watched and cheered as the team fought their way back from a three-run deficit to defeat Taiwan 6-3. After the game, the team celebrated its win with class, inviting the Taiwan team to join them in their victory lap.



## VICTOR-JI!

Eun-Hee Ji, from Korea, won the US Women's Open. Going into the final round, Ji trailed American Cristie Kerr by two shots. With a double-bogey on the 10th hole, Ji's chance at victory looked slim. Kerr, however, had a disappointing final round, allowing Ji to come from behind, sinking a final 20-foot putt for the win.



This was the Laker's 15th championship title.

## LAKERS OUT TRICK MAGIC

The Los Angeles Lakers defeated the Orlando Magic in game five of the NBA finals. Four-time NBA champion Kobe Bryant was the standout star of the series, leading his team to victory and claiming the title of Most Valuable Player.



## GOLF GOES GLOBAL

From its birth in the Scottish countryside to the manicured greens of Augusta National Golf Club in Georgia, golf traditionally has been played by Europeans and Americans. In 2009, two players proved that golf has gone global. Angel Cabrera won The Masters Tournament to become the first Argentinean to wear the prized green jacket. Y.E. Yang defeated Tiger Woods, winning the PGA Championship and becoming the first Asian man to win a major title.





## MERCURY RISING

The Phoenix Mercury defeated the Indiana Fever to win the WNBA championship. Fueled by stars Diana Taurasi and Cappie Pondexter, the Mercury prevailed in game five to take the title. Taurasi was honored with the series MVP award.



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## WINTER X GAMES

Snowboarding star Shaun White proved his resilience and talent at the annual Winter X Games in Aspen, Colorado. After taking a spill face-first on the halfpipe while practicing his newest and most dangerous stunt, White returned to take first in the Snowboard SuperPipe competition for the third straight year. White wasn't the only repeat winner — Ophelie David took home her fourth consecutive Women's Skier X title.



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## FANTASTIC FEDERER

Roger Federer cemented his place in tennis history by breaking the record for most major title wins. By winning the French Open, the Swiss tennis star tied Pete Sampras' historic record of 14 titles, while also completing his career Grand Slam. Federer went on to win Wimbledon for the sixth time, giving him his 15th major title. Sampras praised Federer by saying he was the greatest player ever.



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## PENGUINS WIN STANLEY CUP

The Pittsburgh Penguins triumphed over defending champions, the Detroit Red Wings, in a nail-biting game seven of the Stanley Cup. Thanks to Penguin team member Max Talbot's two goals in the second period, the Penguins became the first team since 1971 to win game seven on the opposing team's home ice.



## 2010 WINTER OLYMPIC HIGHLIGHTS

Many historic and memorable moments were witnessed over the 17 days of the 2010 Winter Olympics, held in Vancouver, Canada.

- In a highly-anticipated showdown between the U.S. and Canadian hockey teams, the home team claimed the gold medal in overtime, becoming the first host nation in 30 years to win a men's gold medal in hockey.
- Reigning women's figure skating world champion, Kim Yu-Na of South Korea delivered stunning performances that brought her gold and put her 23 points ahead of silver medalist Mao Asada of Japan. Taking the bronze was Canada's Joannie Rochette whose mother unexpectedly passed away just two days before the competition began.
- U.S. speed-skating star Apolo Ohno became the most decorated winter Olympian of all time with a career total of eight medals, winning three in Vancouver — two silver and one bronze.

## Medal Count

	Gold	Silver	Bronze
United States	9	15	13
Germany	10	13	7
Canada	14	7	5



## NASCAR CHAMP

Jimmie Johnson became the first driver in NASCAR history to win four consecutive Sprint Cup series titles, breaking the tie he previously held with Carl Yarborough. By finishing fifth in the final race of the season, Johnson earned enough points to secure the title. With 6,652 points on the year, Johnson beat out his next closest opponent by 141 points.



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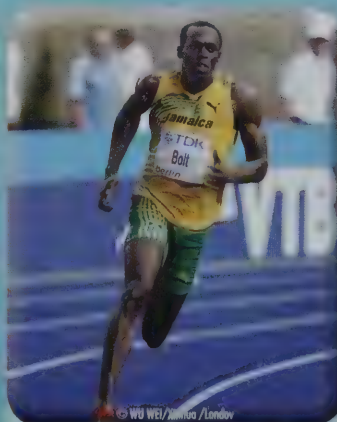
## My Sports

WHAT WERE YOUR FAVORITE SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR?

Handwritten notes and drawings on lined paper, including a drawing of a basketball player and a drawing of a horse.

## HORSE PLAY

In front of a crowd of over 150,000 onlookers, Mine That Bird won the Kentucky Derby. The 50-1 long shot defied the odds to take the title, returning \$103.20 on a \$2 bet. Mine That Bird appeared on the cover of Sports Illustrated the following week.



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## BOLT STRIKES AGAIN

Deemed the "fastest man alive" during the 2008 Olympics, Jamaica's Usain Bolt continued to amaze at the World Championships. Not only did Bolt break his own world record in the 100-meter in a stunning 9.58 seconds, he went on to set a new record of 19.19 seconds for the 200-meter.



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# Chart Toppers

Swift is the youngest winner of the Entertainer of the Year award.



## TWILIGHT SHINES BRIGHT

Now in its 10th year, the Teen Choice Awards recognized achievements in movies, television, music and more. Among the winners of the coveted surfboard trophies was *Twilight*, winning 11 out of 12 nominations, including Choice Movie Drama. The movie's stars, Robert Pattinson and Kristen Stewart also picked up top acting awards. In television, Chace Crawford and Leighton Meester won Choice Acting praise for their roles in the Choice TV Drama *Gossip Girl*. Jason Mraz and Taylor Swift both received Choice Music Artist awards.



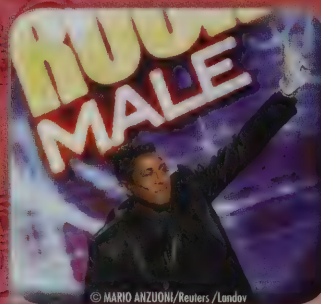
## SWIFT STEALS THE SHOW

The night belonged to Taylor Swift, 19, as she won all four Country Music Awards for which she was nominated. The singer won Album of the Year for *Fearless*, Video of the Year and Female Vocalist of the Year, beating out favorite Carrie Underwood. In her most impressive victory, Swift took home the trophy for Entertainer of the Year, making her the first female to win since 1999. Other winners included Darius Rucker for New Artist of the Year and Lady Antebellum for Vocal Group of the Year.



## BEYONCÉ'S GRAMMY RECORD

There's no doubt the night belonged to Beyoncé, who was nominated in 10 categories and won a female artist record of six trophies including Song Of The Year, Best Female Pop Vocal Performance, Best Female R&B Vocal Performance, Best Traditional R&B Vocal Performance, Best R&B Song, and Best Contemporary R&B Album. Taylor Swift was a close second with four wins including Best Female Country Vocal Performance, Best Country Song, Best Country Album and Album of the Year for *Fearless*. Among the night's most memorable moments was the appearance of Michael Jackson's kids, who accepted the Lifetime Achievement award on their father's behalf.



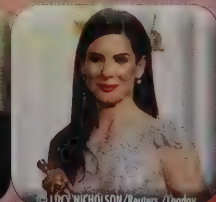
## MICHAEL MAKES HISTORY

The American Music Awards were a night filled with emotion and history making. Adding four awards to his resume (accepted by brother Jermaine, pictured above), Michael Jackson became the most awarded artist in AMA history. Jackson won Favorite Male Artist in both the Pop-Rock and Soul-R&B genres, while his *Number Ones* album took home the top spot in both categories as well. Taylor Swift was also a big winner, taking home five awards in total, including the top honor, Artist of the Year.



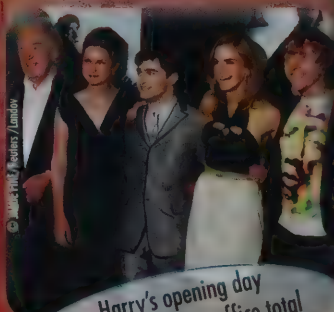
## OSCAR'S BIG NIGHT

Hollywood's biggest night belonged to a lesser-known movie titled *The Hurt Locker* which picked up six awards in all, including top nods for Best Director, Kathryn Bigelow and Best Picture. Bigelow was also the first woman to win the Best Directing award. In the acting categories, Sandra Bullock was honored as Best Actress for her role in *The Blind Side* and Jeff Bridges was named Best Actor for his part in *Crazy Heart*.



## MOONMAN MADNESS

The stars turned out for the Video Music Awards and the night was full of memorable moments. Janet Jackson paid tribute to her brother Michael with a moving performance to open the show. Later, in a controversial move, Kanye West stormed the stage, interrupting Taylor Swift's acceptance speech for Best Female Video. Despite the distractions, Moonmen were still awarded. Beyoncé took home the prize for Video of the Year, Lady Gaga was named Best New Artist, and Green Day won Best Rock Video.



Harry's opening day international box-office total reached \$104 million.

## MTV MOVIE AWARDS

Teens ruled the big screen this year at the MTV Movie Awards. Kristen Stewart won Best Female Performance for her role in *Twilight*, while Zac Efron won Best Male Performance for his musical performance in *High School Musical 3*. The hit vampire love story *Twilight* won top honors as Best Movie.





## HIGH SCHOOL COOL

The Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Awards kicked off with its traditional hijinks when host Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson zip-lined over the audience in a stunning entrance. The evening's top honors went to *High School Musical 3* for Favorite Movie and its star Vanessa Hudgens won Favorite Movie Actress. Miley Cyrus won for Favorite Female Singer and *Twilight* was named Favorite Book.



## DECADE DARLINGS

In celebration of a new decade, *Entertainment Weekly* published their list of top entertainers of the 2000s. Rounding out the top five were actor Johnny Depp noted for his work in *Pirates of the Caribbean*; 10-time Grammy winner Beyoncé; *Harry Potter* author J.K. Rowling; *American Idol* judge and entertainment mogul Simon Cowell and Emmy award-winning writer/actress Tina Fey.



## JUNO AWARDS

Nickelback, nominated five times, took home three Junos for Group of the Year, Album of the Year, and the Fan Choice Award. Hip-hop artist Kardinal Offishall earned Best Rap Recording, while Alanis Morissette won Best Pop Album. This year marked the 38th anniversary of the Canadian-based awards.



## B.E.T AWARDS

The top stars of 2009 were out at the annual Black Entertainment Television Awards. Winners included Beyoncé for Best Female R&B Artist and Best Music Video for *Single Ladies*; Ne-yo won for Best Male R&B Artist; and MTV reality stars, Day 26 took home Best Group. Other wins included Best Actor, Will Smith; Best Actress, Taraji Henson; Best Male Athlete, LeBron James and Best Female Athlete, Serena Williams.



# My Awards

WHAT WERE YOUR FAVORITE AWARD SHOW MOMENTS OF THE YEAR?

## TOP 5 IN '09

### SONGS

1. *Boom Boom Pow* - Black Eyed Peas
2. *Poker Face* - Lady Gaga
3. *Just Dance* - Lady Gaga Featuring Colby O'Donisi
4. *I Gotta Feeling* - Black Eyed Peas
5. *Love Story* - Taylor Swift  
(According to Billboard Hot 100)

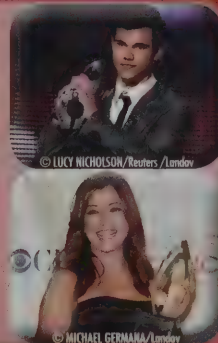
### MOVIES

1. *Avatar* - \$445,768,203
2. *Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen* - \$402,111,870
3. *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince* - \$301,959,197
4. *Up* - \$293,004,164
5. *The Twilight Saga: New Moon* - \$291,149,228  
(According to Box Office Mojo)



## PEOPLE HAVE CHOSEN

Fan favorites in film, television and music were awarded at the 36th annual People's Choice Awards. *Twilight* continued its triumphant award streak, picking up four awards including Favorite Movie, Favorite Franchise, Favorite On-Screen Team (awarded to Robert Pattinson and Kristen Stewart), as well as Favorite Breakout Movie Actor for Taylor Lautner. Johnny Depp was also honored with the Favorite Movie Actor for the Decade award for his film achievements over the past 10 years. Favorite TV Comedy Actor/Actress awards went to Steve Carell for *The Office* and Alyson Hannigan for *How I Met Your Mother*. Favorite Male/Female Artist went to Keith Urban and Taylor Swift respectively.



## ALMA AWARDS

Held during National Hispanic Heritage Month in September, the ALMA Awards handed out accolades to Latinos in the entertainment industry. Winners included Selena Gomez for Comedy Actress and David Archuleta for New Artist. Eva Longoria Parker and George Lopez hosted this year's festivities.



## AVATAR STRIKES GOLD

The 67th annual Golden Globe awards' top honors for Best Motion Picture - Drama went to the blockbuster hit *Avatar* while director James Cameron also won for Best Director. Top movie acting nods went to Sandra Bullock for her role in *The Blind Side* and Jeff Bridges for *Crazy Heart*. In the television categories it was *Mad Men* that took home the trophy for Best Television Series - Drama while *Glee* was presented with Best Television Series - Comedy or Musical.



## LATIN GRAMMY AWARDS

The 10th Annual Latin Grammy Awards belonged to Calle 3. The hip-hop/alternative-reggae duo walked away with all five trophies they were nominated for including Record of the Year and Album of the Year, Best Urban Music Album, Best Alternative Song, and Best Short Form Music Video. Alternative rock also won big with Café Tacvba, Jaguares and Caetano Veloso receiving two awards each.





# Say What?!

The odds of winning the lottery twice are nearly 1 in 50 trillion.

## DAILY DOUBLE

Sean Sanders, an unemployed mortgage worker played the odds and won ... twice!

After winning \$1,400 in the California Lottery, he checked his Mega Millions lottery ticket and realized he'd won an additional \$141,519. Sanders reported that he plans to pay off his bills and invest what remains.



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## CUPCAKE FOR THE CURE

The world's largest cupcake record was crushed eight times over by a mammoth 1,224-pound triple vanilla cupcake containing an estimated 2 million calories. The pastry took over 12 hours to bake and included 800 eggs and 200 pounds each of sugar and flour. The cupcake was served to raise money for the Susan G. Komen for the Cure breast cancer organization.



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## SKINNY SCARE

Despite being a popular fashion trend for years, skinny jeans could be causing nerve damage. Doctors reported seeing an increase of young women complaining of tingling or numbness in the upper legs, supposedly caused by the trendy pants. Diagnosed as a form of nerve damage, meralgia paresthetica is usually not permanent and the effects can be reversed by trading in the tight fitting jeans for a looser alternative.

## WHATEVER!

In a survey conducted by the Marist Institute for Public Opinion, "whatever" was found to be the most annoying word in America. With 47% of the vote, the popular word of disinterest beat out other phrases like "you know," "it is what it is," and "at the end of the day." "Whatever" gained popularity in the 1990s after its use as valley-girl slang in movies like *Clueless*.



## BOY HIT BY METEORITE

A 14 year old from Germany lived to tell his story after being struck by a meteorite traveling 30,000 mph. Explained as a massive fireball, the meteorite struck the boy's hand before hitting the ground. Though not seriously injured, the impact sent the child flying and left a three-inch scar on the boy's hand and a foot-long crater in the ground.



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## TERRIFYING TOILET TALES

Japanese author Koji Suzuki, famous for horror stories like the one that inspired Hollywood movie, *The Ring*, created a story to be printed on rolls of toilet paper. The nine-chapter story is set in a public restroom and can be read in just a few minutes. At approximately three feet long, each roll contains several copies, each can be read in one sitting.



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## SNUGGIE CHIC

Perhaps not the most anticipated show of New York's exclusive Fashion Week but probably the most unique was for the Snuggie™. Shown to only 20 people in a hotel room, the popular blanket with arms unveiled its new collection in basic colors, as well as bold new animal prints and a Snuggie for dogs.

## FASTEST TEXTER

Kate Moore, 15, amazed onlookers as she won the title of National Texting Champion, beating out more than 250,000 participants to win the grand prize of \$50,000. Moore, who averages 14,000 texts a month, completed the winning phrase "Zippity Doo Dah Zippity Ayy ... My oh MY, what a wonderful day! Plenty of sunshine Comin' my way ... ZippityDooDahZippityAay! Wonderful feeling, Wonderful day!" with no errors in less than 60 seconds.



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## ACHIEVE THE IMPOSSIBLE

Willo Chen, 17, accomplished what all college-bound teens consider impossible — acing the PSAT, SAT, and ACT college admissions tests. According to Chen, who is a senior, she did not study much for the tests but enjoys learning and plans to attend Princeton University after high school.



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### CAT EARNS DIPLOMA

Oreo has always been a smart cat but did she really earn a diploma? Better Business Bureau Georgia president and CEO, Kelvin Collins, enrolled his cat Oreo into Jefferson High School Online as part of an investigation into online diploma mills. After a test and \$200 fee, Oreo was the proud recipient of her high school diploma, though Collins admits he may have helped her answer the questions.



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### COVER YOUR EARS!

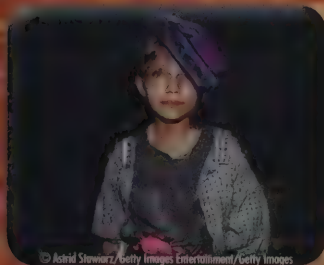
Competition reached a fever pitch at Thailand's Ripley's Believe It or Not Museum where contestants from around the world competed for the title of loudest scream. The winner, Russian Sergey Savelyev rang in at 116.8 decibels, just falling short of the Guinness World Record. Though he says he was "only getting warmed up," his winning shriek was roughly as loud as an ambulance siren.



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### LITTLE FASHIONISTA

While most 13 year olds are consumed by algebra, Tavi Gevinson had a different focus—high fashion. The teenager from the suburbs of Chicago shot to fame when her blog, Style Rookie, was discovered by two big name designers. Soon she was seated in the exclusive front row at several New York Fashion Week shows, impressing the industry with her poise and sharp eye.



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## My Whatever

WHAT WERE SOME OF YOUR OTHER FAVORITE STORIES OF THE YEAR?

### IT'S A BIRD, IT'S A PLANE

Japanese engineer Takuo Toda captured the Guinness World Record for longest flight by a paper airplane. The plane, measuring 10 cm long and crafted from a regular sheet of folded paper stayed in the air for an astonishing 27.9 seconds. Toda now has his eyes on an even greater prize—launching a paper airplane from space!



AP/Wide World

### LOOKING GOOD!

No ordinary doll, Barbie has held over 108 jobs including three runs at the presidency. This year the iconic children's toy celebrated her 50th birthday ... and looks better than ever! Since her introduction in 1959, over one billion Barbie dolls have been sold worldwide with no signs of stopping—100 million dolls were sold in the past year alone.



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Americans eat an estimated 20 billion hot dogs each year. That's nearly 70 hot dogs per person!



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### HOT DOG ACE

After eating an astonishing 68 hot dogs in 10 minutes, Joey Chestnut retained his title in the annual Nathan's Famous Fourth of July International Hot Dog-Eating Contest, held at Coney Island in New York. Chestnut edged out long-time rival Takeru Kobayashi by three and a half franks to take the title for the third straight year.

### YES CAPTAIN!

A federal judge dismissed a lawsuit filed by a consumer claiming to have been deceived by the cereal, Cap 'N Crunch. After learning that Crunchberries were not real fruit and indeed sugar, the consumer sued, seeking damages for false nutritional messaging.



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### LOST AND FOUND

Sixty-three years after losing his wallet at a high school basketball game, Bill Fulton received a surprising knock on the door. Remarkably, his wallet, which still included his social security card, was returned after being recovered during the gym's renovation. Having sent his children through the same school, it's likely Bill came within feet of the missing wallet several times since its 1946 disappearance.






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# Zoom

## Real Or Fake?

CAN YOU BELIEVE IT?! DETERMINE IF THESE STORIES ARE REAL OR FAKE.

		REAL	FAKE
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3	 <small>© FRED PROUSSE/Reuters/Landov</small>		

The average U.S. teenager sends and receives an estimated 500 text messages a month.

Ashton Kutcher became the first person on Twitter to have one million followers.

In the wake of Paula Abdul's departure from *American Idol*, Miley Cyrus took over judging duties on the popular singing competition.

## Our Class

FILL IN THE BLANK WITH YOUR FRIENDS AND CLASSMATES.

Best smile \_\_\_\_\_

Best laugh \_\_\_\_\_

Most unique \_\_\_\_\_

Most athletic \_\_\_\_\_

Most spirited \_\_\_\_\_

Class clown \_\_\_\_\_

Class flirt \_\_\_\_\_

Class gossip \_\_\_\_\_

Fastest texter \_\_\_\_\_

Clumsiest \_\_\_\_\_

Most dramatic \_\_\_\_\_

Most likely to become President \_\_\_\_\_

Most likely to get out of trouble by smiling \_\_\_\_\_

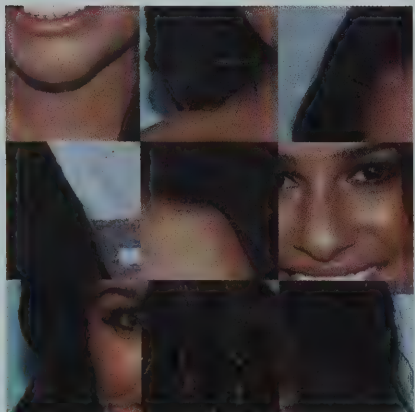
Most likely to stay up late doing homework \_\_\_\_\_

Most likely to capture everything on camera \_\_\_\_\_

## Photo Scramble

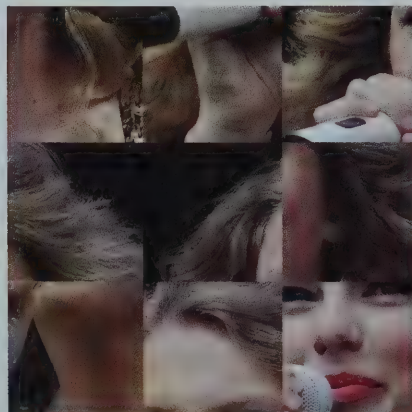
DO YOU KNOW WHO THESE FAMOUS FACES BELONG TO? THE ANSWERS ARE INSIDE ZOOM!

Hint: This young star hit the Broadway stage at age 8 and now stars in a popular new musical-comedy TV series that won Best Television Series — Comedy or Musical at this year's Golden Globe Awards.



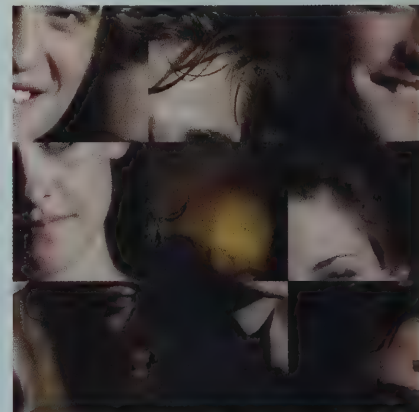
WHO IS SHE?

Hint: This young country singer/songwriter swept the music award shows this year including the Video Music Awards, Country Music Awards and the American Music Awards.



WHO IS SHE?

Hint: These stars of the night were honored at the Teen Choice Awards for sinking their teeth into their roles in the popular book-turned-movie *Twilight*.



WHO ARE THEY?

ANSWERS: Real or Fake? 1) Fake, it's really 2,200! 2) Real 3) Fake, it's Ellen DeGeneres! | Photo Scramble: 1) Lea Michele 2) Taylor Swift 3) Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson







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